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HONG KONG STEAMER ON ROCKS OFF CHILANG POINT

British, American Warships Rescue 1,800 Passengers

BREAKING UP IN HEAVY SEAS

An estimated 1,800 first, second and deck class passengers, all from Singapore, were rescued by British and American warships yesterday from the 6,975-ton s.s. "Hong Kheng" which went aground at Chilang Point, about 80 miles north of Hong Kong, while on its way to Swatow and Amoy. No casualties had been reported at the time of going to press.

By 7 o'clock last night, more than 12 hours after the ship had gone aground, all the passengers had been taken off. The rescue ships, HMS "Hart", USS "Hawkins" and USS "Fox" arrived back in harbour between 12.30 a.m. and 1.30 a.m. with some 600 passengers each. The salvage and rescue tug "Caroline Moller", which left port yesterday morning is still standing by the "Hong Kheng" which is breaking up in heavy weather.

Up to the time of going to press, no loss of life had been reported. According to the latest information then available, the "Hong Kheng" will be a total loss.

There were no Hong Kong residents aboard the ill-fated ship. No passengers embarked in Hong Kong, the "Sunday Herald" was informed last night by the agents, Ho Hong Company (China) Limited. The owners of the ship are Messrs. Ho Hong Company (1932) Limited, in Singapore.

In charge of Captain D. R. Bannerman, who is remaining on

the ship, the vessel carried seven other European officers, the names of whom the agents said they did not know, and 120 crew.

The s.s. "Hong Kheng" left Hong Kong at 6.30 p.m. on Friday for Swatow and Amoy. Ten hours later the captain sent out a distress signal saying the ship was aground at Chilang Point and required assistance. The message was intercepted by British and American warships which were riding the waves outside Hong Kong waters, having left the harbour earlier to avoid being in the path of a threatening typhoon.

First On Scene

H.M.S. "Hart" was the first ship to reach the scene and immediately began taking off passengers from the s.s. "Hong Kheng". Later two merchant ships, s.s. "Huanan" and a Russian ship, the s.s. "Nahodka", which also heard the distress signal, appeared and stood by to help. These ships were joined later by two American warships, USS "Hawkins" and USS "Fox", both based in Hong Kong. Their assistance no longer necessary, the two merchant ships left the scene for their respective destinations.

Meanwhile, the Relief Section of Hong Kong's Medical Department were informed of the pending arrival of the passengers and arrangements were made to accommodate them. Mr. C. N. Li, Relief Officer, told the "Sunday Herald" that the original plan to house the passengers at the Aberdeen Transit Centre was later dropped. They will be accommodated at the To Yuen Refugee Centre which, in Des Voeux Road, West, was nearer town and more convenient.

Weather Worse

About eight hours after the s.s. "Hong Kheng" went on the rocks, Captain Bannerman radioed that the weather was getting worse and expressed fears that the vessel would become a total loss as there were signs of its breaking up. The engine room, he added later, was rapidly taking water and the generators were failing.

A European officer in the Ho Hong Company told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that Chilang Point was about 80 miles north of Hong Kong. He pointed out that it was one of the main navigational "light" along the China coast but that it has not functioned since the end of the war. It was under the control of the Chinese authorities. He could not explain why the Chinese Government did not attend to it.

H.K. Chinese At Empire Conference

London, July 19. The only Chinese representative attending the three-day Commonwealth and Empire Health and Tuberculosis Conference at Central Hall, Westminster, is a young doctor from Hong Kong, Dr. Lin Kwai-to.

Dr. Lui, who is a member of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association of Hong Kong, has been in Britain several months and is at present attending a course of study at the Brompton Chest Disease Hospital in London.

He is planning to travel to Switzerland shortly for the purpose of continuing his studies at a sanatorium which specialises in pulmonary complaints, and on his return to Britain, he will take up work at a sanatorium at High Carley in Lancashire.

He hopes to travel back to Hong Kong some time next year. Tuberculosis had considerably increased in Hong Kong of late, Dr. Lui stated, when interviewed, but this was mainly a matter of economics. "Doctors were finding it extremely difficult to keep up with the great flow of population entering Hong Kong, but they had started mass radiography for the purpose of detecting early cases and it was expected that the situation would be brought under control when the equipment, which was ordered some months ago, arrived."

Doctors in Hong Kong, he said, are very interested in B.C.G. vaccine, which is used for testing tuberculosis contacts and persons suspected of carrying the germ. Dr. Lui is closely following the proceedings at the present international gathering of doctors and experts, but says he will not be speaking at the conference himself.—L.P.S.

ELIZABETH AND PHILIP



This photograph of Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth, and Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten, R.N., was taken only a few hours after a Court Circular had been issued from Buckingham Palace announcing their betrothal. (A.P. Photo)

War In Indonesia Imminent

Amsterdam, July 19. The Dutch Government has decided that peaceful settlement of the Indonesian problems is impossible. It has authorised Lieutenant Governor-General Hubertus van Mook to "fix the moment" for military action to begin, reliable sources said today. These sources said they believe it possible military action might start in a matter of hours but others expect there will be delay of a "couple of days."

Unless the attitude of the Indonesian Republic changes suddenly at the last moment, which is not expected, it is believed military action will be forthcoming within 48 hours against the fledgling Republic. Reliable sources at The Hague say the Cabinet has decided that all possibilities of a peaceful settlement have been exhausted and that military force must prevail.

The way is left open, however, for a last-minute peace move by leaving it to van Mook to fix the moment for operations to start.—United Press.

Van Mook, Acting Governor-General of the Indies, conferred with his advisers after getting The Hague's reply to his recommendations. Later, he summoned the Presidents of East Indonesia and West Borneo.

Appeal To World

Vice Premier Gani, in a last-minute appeal to the world to prevent war in Indonesia, declared: "I want the world to know that the Republic accepted practically everything the Dutch demanded. We believe it is unthinkable the world should allow the Nationalists and the Dutch, who themselves were oppressed by Hitlerite Germany, to use force at present to settle the remaining minor Indonesian-Dutch differences which we are still convinced can be solved in a peaceful way."

"We want the world clearly to understand that the latest Dutch demand to cease hostilities and to withdraw from the demarcation lines is unilateral. We ask the world: Is it reasonable after the Dutch ultimatum that we alone should withdraw our troops without any Dutch peaceful intentions, leaving all we have struggled for in the past two years to the danger of being lost completely?"

"We appeal to the common sense of the Dutch people and the world. We know that those who believe in the Atlantic Charter will not allow a catastrophe to happen in this country. It will not be to our benefit, nor to the Dutch people nor to the world."

"Let us have peace, reasonable liberty and sanity regarding Indonesia. The stop lights must not go out.—Associated Press."

make even an approach to that problem.

"I see no solution as long as Russia maintains her attitude. We might make South Korea self-supporting, but we would need to remain in strong occupation as long as Russia holds the North.—United Press."

NEW GOVERNOR DUE FRIDAY NEXT

The new Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, K.C.M.G. and Lady Grantham are expected to arrive in the Colony by air in the afternoon of Friday, July 25. The following resume of the ceremonial arrangements which are being made to greet them is published for information.

On arrival at Kai Tak Airport about 3 o'clock, Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham will be met by the Hon. Mr. D.M. MacDougall, C.M.G., Honourable Members of the Executive Council, the Heads of Armed Services, the Harbour Master and the Director of Air Services. Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham will then be escorted to the new Airport Terminal Building where they will rest and change before crossing the harbour by barge to Queen's Pier. They are expected to arrive at Queen's Pier at 4.45 p.m.

Members of the Executive, Legislative and Urban Councils, the Chief Justice and Puisne Judges, the Heads of the Armed Services, the Consular Corps headed by Mr. Hopper, the Doyen of the Corps, Heads of Government Departments, Heads of Churches and a number of other guests and their ladies will be assembled there by invitation to greet their arrival. Entrance to Queen's Pier will be by invitation only.

His Excellency, immediately on disembarking will proceed to inspect a Guard of Honour of the three Services which will be mounted on the Praya out-

side Queen's Pier. He will then return to Queen's Pier where the assembled guests will be presented to him and to Lady Grantham. At the conclusion of this ceremony, His Excellency and Lady Grantham will proceed to Government House.

At 6 p.m., His Excellency the Governor and Lady Grantham will arrive at the King's Theatre to hear an address of welcome. A large number of guests have been invited to witness this ceremony and the whole of the stalls has been reserved for their use. The Circle will be open to other members of the public who wish to attend.

His Excellency will take the Oaths of Office in the Council Chamber in the presence of members of the Executive Council. The Oaths will be administered by His Honour the Chief Justice. As soon as His Excellency has taken the Oaths of Office a salute of 17 guns will be fired by H.M.S. Belfast.

Attention is drawn to the new timings of the programme which differ from those printed on invitation cards and tickets.

ISOGAI RUMOUR

Nanking, July 18. The Hong Kong Government today sent a request to the Chinese Government asking for the extradition of the former Governor of Hong Kong during the Japanese occupation, Lt. Gen. Keenke Isogai, who is awaiting a verdict in the Chinese military court on charges of atrocities and aggression which is due to be handed down on July 22. The Chinese authorities said they are still considering the request.—United Press.

The Hong Kong Government denied that any such request had been sent.

PLASTER PANICS PEDESTRIANS

Plaster falling from the walls of houses in Possession Street about midnight on Friday sent more than 100 inmates of at least three buildings into the streets clad only in their bedclothes, following a shout from pedestrians that the building was collapsing.

Frantic telephone calls were received by the Fire Brigade and the Police but on arrival it was discovered that the buildings were not in immediate danger.

Inmates of No. 26 and 28 Possession Street told a "China Mail" reporter that they were awakened about midnight by hysterical shouts of "House collapsing" and "Fire." They grabbed a few personal belongings and fled only in bedclothes and underwear swarmed out of the building as fast as they could.

When the Fire Brigade and the Police arrived and the situation had calmed down, it was ascertained that pedestrians passing by heard plaster falling down from a roofless wall on the top floor of No. 26 and raised an alarm.

An inspection of the buildings yesterday showed that the entire block from No. 26 upwards is badly in need of repairs. The block is a construction of blue bricks which were

outlived about 40 years ago, while some of the wooden beams supporting verandahs are decaying.

A PWD inspector was on the scene yesterday morning and when asked whether he believed the buildings to be safe for habitation replied "It's a right. I've seen worse."

THE WEATHER

The depression is now entering the coast near Kwangchow. Pressure remains high to the E and SE of Japan and low over China generally.

Today's Forecast: Moderate or fresh SE winds; partly cloudy, with scattered showers.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum: 85.2 deg. Fah. Minimum: 75.5 deg. Fah. Sunshine: 2.5 hours. Rainfall: 29.9 mm. Total since Jan. 1: 1259.2 mm. an average of 1192.5 mm.

Readings at 10 a.m. 10 p.m. 10 a.m. 10 p.m. Baro. at m.s.l. 1003.3 1003.3 1003.3 1003.3. Humidity 81 87 81 87. Dew Point 78 78 78 78. Wind Direction 125 125 125 125. Wind Force 15 9 knots.

FEARS OVER JAPAN

Toyko, July 19. The fear that Japan may become the Czechoslovakia of the East in the years immediately following the peace treaty is disturbing Allied economists in Japan.

They believe that Japan, in spite of considerable aid and political direction from the United States, may drift economically and thereafter politically into the Russian camp.

This opinion is advanced by both British and American economists who say that after the initial opening of foreign trade, there will be an automatic steady flow of purchases from the western powers whose manufacturers will not welcome Japanese goods in competition with their own—and a definite swing towards the Soviet, which is capable of absorbing everything that Japan can produce.

Figures for Japan's pre-war trade are quoted to make the point. Between 1934 and 1936, 43 per cent of Japan's annual exports went to East Asia (Korea, Formosa, the Kwantung Peninsula and China). All Asia took 64 per cent of Japan's exports and in return gave her 53 per cent of her imports.

Against this the United States took only 16 per cent of Japan's exports and in return contributed 24 per cent of her imports. Raw silk was always the principal Japanese pre-war export. But even before the war the silk worms' golden web was becoming less luscious.

Rayon and plastics were beginning to push the less hardy silk stockings and dresses from department store counters. The silk situation today is even more depressing—Reuters.

"Easy" To Make Peace With Japan

Washington, July 18. The United States could make a separate peace with Japan more easily than with Germany, while Korea will need supervision for the next 25 years, ex-President Herbert Hoover told a House Committee.

In testimony just made public before the House Appropriations Committee which approved vast foreign expenditures, Mr. Hoover branded Russia the stumbling block to European independence.

Asked bluntly whether the obstacle to freeing German industry so the Germans could help themselves was Russia, Mr. Hoover replied, "That is the stumbling block of all Europe. Yes."

When Congressman Errol P. Schriver asked "If there would be the same difficulty with peace for Japan, Mr. Hoover replied, "That is infinitely simpler. I don't see any reason why it should not be done at once. Japan has done everything we required of her by way of setting up a constitution and demilitarization. She is in as good a position to make peace today as she will

Russian Attitude

Regarding a possible separate peace with Korea, Mr. Hoover said, "I have never been able to produce constructive thought about what to do with Korea. The people there are incapable of self-government for many years to come. Even if Korea is reunited, someone is going to have to govern their government for the next 25 years. As long as it is divided, we cannot

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Today's Events

July 20—Classical Concert at Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, at 8.30. Tchaikovsky and Rachmaninoff programmes.

Coming Events

July 25—A debate arranged by T.O.C. at Talbot House on the State and Liberty, 8.30.
August 7—H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. annual meeting, noon.
August 12—H.K. & S'hai Hotels annual meeting, noon.

Wedding

Slaton—Ng-Quinn

The wedding took place at the Holy Yal Church yesterday of Miss Loretta Ng-Quinn and Mr. L. Clyde Slaton, Jr.

The bride, given away by her father, Mr. Sidney Ng-Quinn, of Brutton and Co., wore a long white gown of parachute nylon and satin with a coronet of orange blossom and a long tulle veil. She carried a bouquet of tuberoses and mullen ball ferns.

Attending the bride were her two sisters, the Misses Dawn and Rose Ng-Quinn, Miss June Moses, and Miss Florence Wong. All the bridesmaids had posies of gladioli. Miss Lorraine Lau acted as flower girl, wearing a gown of blue net over pink silk and carrying a posie of pink gladioli.

Mr. Arthur Simpson discharged the duties of best man and Master of the Ceremonies was page boy.

A reception was given at the Gloucester Hotel at which over 400 guests were present. The honeymoon will be spent at the Republic Day Hotel.

MENACES CHARGE

On the application of D.S.P. R. MacKinnon, Chan Chuen alias 'Tai Mung' (Stupid) Chuen, 23, and Yeung Sai, 36, were remanded three days in Police custody when they appeared before Mr. Lathin on the charge of demanding money with menaces and with possession of a dagger at 88 Ping On Street, Tai O, on July 17.

Defendants were alleged to have demanded with menaces the sum of \$15 from Ng Kit-fong at Sam Yai Village, near Tai O, on July 16, and to be found in possession of the dagger on the following day.

YUKIO SAYS LT. SHRIGLEY SPOKE OF SUICIDE

Tenders For Tents

Government is calling for tenders for the erection of tents on Caterina (18 miles) Beach, in the New Territories.

A notice in the Gazette says tents must be of an approved type, approximately 7 feet long, 7 feet wide and 7 feet high, with an awning in front at least 5 feet long.

It adds that the following maximum charges to be paid by the public will be allowed for the hire of tents:

For period not exceeding two hours	\$ 3.00
Exceeding 2 hours, but not exceeding 3 hours	\$ 4.00
Exceeding 3 hours, but not exceeding 4 hours	\$ 5.00
Exceeding 4 hours, but not exceeding 5 hours	\$ 6.00
Exceeding 5 hours	\$10.00

Reader's Letters

Rents

Sir,—The Landlord and Tenant Ordinance has been enforced for nearly two months, but many principal tenants still do not pay any attention to this matter and charge the sub-tenants much more than they want, as they say that the Government have no time nor staff to look into any cases of charging excessive rents as there are now, and that their sub-tenants fear to make enemies with them.

Many people know that the above is a fact, and I hope that Government should employ more judges and staff to deal with these cases for the welfare of the poor sub-tenants, invite the people to report these cases secretly and send as many as possible detectives to go into every house to investigate the law-breakers. If the house-to-house investigation is made, I am sure many principal tenants would be fined for breaking the law and the revenue increased to a great extent therefrom.

NEVER LIE.

Captain Ushiyama Yukio, who testified in his own defence before No. 7 War Crimes Court yesterday, claimed that on the day before his death, Lieut. Shrigley had intimated that he would prefer to commit suicide rather than go through the tortures which resulted in the death of an acquaintance at the Shamshuipo Gendarmrie.

Ushiyama, together with Sgt. Major Ishiyama Kakue, Sgt. Major Morino Sakuzo and Sgt. Major Matsuyama, is charged with the ill-treatment of civilians in custody at the Western Kampei Headquarters (Central Police Station), causing death to some and physical sufferings to others.

Ushiyama said that he never received any complaints from his subordinates that the detention cells were overcrowded. He could not speak Chinese and had never used the words "Sah Deu" (behead).

While at the O.S.K. Building, he never heard that detainees were subjected to torture during interrogations. He also never heard sounds of torturing or screams.

The maximum number of detainees at Central was between 100 and 120. Vagabonds were kept in one cell. In other cases, not more than one person was kept in a cell.

Lt. Shrigley

He remembered the case of Lieut. Shrigley, who died at Central some time towards the end of June or beginning of July 1944, three days after being brought to Central. Ushiyama said that he received a report from his subordinates concerning the death of Shrigley.

Lieut. Shrigley was interrogated in connection with arms, maps and Regimental Colours which he was alleged to have hidden somewhere in Garden Road.

Ushiyama said that after Shrigley's suicide, he made enquiries as to who had carried out the interrogation. He was informed that Ushigai and Komino had interrogated Shrigley. On enquiring into the case, he was told that on the day before his suicide, Shrigley had spoken to a woman occupying a nearby cell and had informed her that an acquaintance of his had been tortured to death at the Shamshuipo Gendarmrie. Shrigley was reported to have said that he would commit suicide rather than go through such tortures. Shrigley also told the woman in question that he was suffering from cardiac beri beri and was feeling very weak.

Denied Torture

Ushiyama said that on being questioned, both Ushigai and Komino denied having tortured Shrigley.

Ushiyama claimed that he did not visit the scene of the suicide because he was busy at a conference when it occurred. He also did not think it was likely that Morino kicked the body of Shrigley.

When Morino took over his duties, he was cautioned against taking part in interrogations because he was not familiar with local conditions. Matsuyama was on one occasion ordered to assist in a Special Branch case between April and August 1944. Ushiyama said that he had told Matsuyama and others in the Special Branch that investigations were different to investigations in cases of theft etc., because it was necessary to exercise patience in order to arrive at

the truth. If prisoners arrested in Special Branch cases were scolded and shouted at, they would never make confessions. It was, therefore, absolutely essential that every endeavour should be made to approach suspects with kindness and sincerity. If this policy was adopted, suspects would themselves be ready and willing to confess.

Judicial Cases

While at the O.S.K. Building, Ishiyama handled cases of a judicial nature and might have taken part in interrogations concerning Servicemen and civilians attached to the Army.

Ushiyama denied all knowledge of the case of six policemen and said that the first he had heard about it was when some British Officers interrogated him at Stanley last year. Enquiries were being made into the activities of persons who had collaborated with the Japanese.

Ushiyama also denied knowledge of the executions on Stanley Beach.

During his tenure of office, prisoners were supplied with 400 grammes of rice per person each day, plus a quantity of vegetables. By way of special consideration, detainees were also given left overs from the Gendarmrie staff. A wooden or canvas bed, with four blankets, was also supplied to detainees. Ushiyama denied having administered tortures to detainees while he was holding office.

Hearing will be resumed at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Price Control Changes

The following additions and amendments to the Price Control Schedule were gazetted yesterday: Foodstuffs (Maxi. Retail Price): Milk, Nestle's Nespray, Full Cream Powdered Milk HK\$3.50 per 1 lb. tin.

The following amendments are announced: Foodstuffs (Maxi. Retail Price): Chocolate, Nestle's, 40 cts. per 2 oz. block.

Ice (Maxi. Retail Price per lb.): Dairy Farm Depots, Hong Kong Island, 2 1/2 cts. Dairy Farm Depots, Kowloon, 3 1/2 cts. Other Retailers, Hong Kong Island, 3 1/2 cts. Other Retailers, Kowloon, 4 cts. Other Retailers of other areas, 5 cts.

Money Market

There was a quieter atmosphere in gold trading yesterday as rates became steadier and fluctuations less erratic. Opening at \$321.50 a tael it weakened to \$320 but from then on it recovered and climbed to \$326. It again eased off and closed at \$324.

Interest in Plaster was revived with an opening quotation at \$112 1/4 a 100. The rate dropped to \$112 at the close. Chinese National Currency opened at 10 1/2 cents for futures and 13 1/2 cents for spot, and closed at 10 1/2 cents and 18 1/2 cents respectively (for CN\$1,000). U.S. dollars improved to \$4.87, and Sterling to \$18.20. Australian pounds were again unchanged at \$12.50.

Appointed

The following appointments were gazetted yesterday: Mr. H. J. Crutwell to be Chief Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Mr. E. H. Sainsbury to act as Assistant Land Officer and Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

Mr. R. B. Spradell to act as Deputy Registrar, Supreme Court, and Deputy Registrar of Companies.

Mr. D. E. Davis to act as Government Chemist (Imports and Exports Department) and to be Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

Flogging Rules Amended

An amendment to the Prison Rules, in connection with flogging, was published in the Gazette yesterday.

Under the amendment, "corporal punishment, not exceeding twenty-four strokes either with a light cane or rattan, or cat-o-nine tails, in the case of an adult, or twelve strokes with a light cane in the case of a person under eighteen years of age, may be awarded by the Commissioner, with the approval of the Governor, to any male offender, after evidence has been taken upon oath, affirmation or declaration, for the following offences only—

- (a) mutiny;
- (b) incitement to mutiny;
- (c) violence towards officials of the prison service;

It provided that, in the opinion of the Commissioner, having regard to the character of the offender and to the state of discipline in the prison, the other forms of punishment allowed by these Rules would be ineffective.

Naval Barracks Robbery

Charged with larceny and trespassing, Ho My Chi, 18 of No. 1 Ship Street, 2nd floor was given four weeks to be followed by expulsion from the colony.

Inspector Brownrigg related to the court that at about 3.50 a.m. yesterday defendant climbed over the fence on the Queen's Road side of H.M.S. Tamar, Wellington Barracks.

He went up to the second floor of "Blake Block" and through an open door entered the room of Lt. Duce who was asleep. He collected a few pieces of clothing and was about to leave when complainant awoke and caught hold of him.

Defendant admitted two previous convictions.

Post Office Warning

It is officially announced by the Postmaster General that information has been received from the G.P.O., London, advising that the present arrangement whereby British Postal Orders are sold and cashed in Egypt and the Anglo Egyptian Sudan will be discontinued. No more such Postal Orders will be issued in these two countries after August 1.

Postal Orders remitted there from outside countries will, however, continue to be cashed until September 1.

After that date only International Money Orders will be available between Hong Kong and the two countries named, subject to any Exchange control regulations.

WROCK MAN

"That is not the man who came to my office to claim his goods," said Revenue Officer Hedman at Central yesterday when Wong Wai should have appeared in court to answer a charge of having had in the engine room of the s.s. Sheng King 1,500 packs of playing cards, 50 tins of cigarettes and 60 bottles of whisky.

R.O. Redman told his Worship that he thought the supposed Wong Wai intended to come to court and plead "Guilty" to the charge, be fined a small fine and then take the remaining bail money back to the original defendant.

As the real defendant could not be found in Court the bail of \$750 was ordered estreated.

DIDN'T PAY DUTY

A fine of \$4,000 with the option of four months imprisonment with hard labour was imposed on Liang Chi Kai, 32, when he appeared before Mr. Conklin at Central yesterday for blighting cigarettes into the colony of which duty had not been paid.

The cigarettes, which amounted to 103,000, were ordered to be committed to the H.K. Revenue Officer Hedman for seizure.

Personalia

The forthcoming wedding of Christopher Crofton, engineer, of No. 128 Waterloo Road, to Miss Vera Gwendolyn Watson, of No. 7 Dunmore Street, Brisbane, Australia, is announced.

Professor Gordon King, of Hong Kong University, is expected back in the Colony some time in October.

Mr. K.M. Naabolds, of Roy Farfella's, is staying at the Peninsula Hotel.

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel:—Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Savage, D.M. Gallaher, Mrs. P. Tso, Miss Dorothy Chiang, Capt. W.M. Bowes, A.A. Rogers, Mrs. Y. Roxas-Elio, Miss B.S.A. Winbush, Mr. and Mrs. N.P. Downie, W. Murgatroyd, Vernon James, Mrs. D. Ingalls, John Forte, R.J. Picciotto, Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Stringfellow, S.A. Gray, A.S. Boll, G.J. Barry, V.S. Durbin, Bernard Chang, J.S. Marshall, H.L. Richardson, P.M. Parliant, T.D.A. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Wong, H. Chen, Glenn A. Franklin and Austin C. Frank.

Peninsula departures:—Lt. Cdr. and Mrs. G.V. King, Miss F. Jebens, Miss Gwen Dew, Mrs. B. Murray, Mrs. R.E. Dudley, E.J. Young, A. Pullen, R.Z. Lavi, J. Bonnyman, Y.T. Tang, J.T. Chu and Miss Matheson.

The BOAC "Speedbird" flying-boat from the United Kingdom and intermediate points arrived on schedule in Hong Kong yesterday. Passengers aboard were: Messrs. W. Murgatroyd, A.N. Jackson, A.B. Buchanan, S.D.O. Simmonds, Capt. E.B. Churcher, Miss R.V. Elio and Miss B.E. Winbush.

BOAC's flying-boat for the United Kingdom left as usual yesterday morning, passengers being Mid (E) Kennedy, Capt. A.S. Bolt and S.A. Gray, for Poole; P. Tafel and Infant and Miss C.E. Tafel, for Marseilles; P.M. Parliant for Rangoon; Miss Lucy Ma, U Chu-liang, Mah Lih-koon, Mrs. Mah Wong-shu, Lee Chen-yeh and Hon Woo-lu for Bangkok.

The Singapore BOAC aircraft is due to leave this morning with the following passengers: L.C. Solomon, Mrs. E.B. Solomon, N.W. King, Tang Shew-kai, Miss Oh Leong-yuet, Lt/Col. Yates, Lt/Col. F. Little, Col. A.V. Murphy, Lieut. F. Daniels, Lieut. de Rome, SQMS Stokes and Leong Kioon-nghen for Singapore; Chan Ching-kuang, Ung Hoah-chuan, Mr. Yu Kung-Sui, Gerald Barry any Miss Durbin for Bangkok.

The s.s. "Shanai" which arrived yesterday from Australia brought the following passengers for Hong Kong:—

From Sydney:—Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Young and their two children, Mrs. T. Gray and her two children, Mrs. J.M. Smart and Miss J.E. Smart, Mrs. L.R. McFarlane, Miss M. Andrews, Mrs. L.B. Stone, Bishop C.T. Soong, and Messrs. P.O. Phillips, C.H. Theobald, W.J. Isles, F.A. Ewins, J. Clarke, D.R. McFadden and H. Kim.

From Melbourne:—Mr. and Mrs. Mathews, Mr. and Mrs. D.A. Grant and their three children and Mrs. J.C. Stewart.

From Brisbane:—Capt. Russell. Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Stringfellow and their son arrived from Singapore by the s.s. "Van Heutz" on Friday.

Over 600 passengers from San Francisco, mostly returning Chinese, disembarked from the s.s. "Marine Lynx" as she berthed alongside Kowloon Wharf on Friday.

Among her non-Chinese passengers were the Rev. and Mrs. Hugh W. Hubbard, Mrs. Maria Glicker, Rev. Antonio Rueda, Victor T. Armstrong, Paul L. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Chubb, Mrs. Barbara Goleysky, Don Goldie, and the following students:—Austin, Frank, Glenn, Franklin, James, Fred and Miss Phyllis Canillo-Harper.

SERIOUS CHARGE

Wong Ping-cheung, 56, widow of No. 28 Wellington Street, 1st floor, was charged before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday with intent to procure a miscarriage by unlawfully using an instrument or some other unknown means, and with having in her possession a dangerous drug, a phial of Morphine Hydrochloride tablets.

No plea was entered and at the request of Inspector H. N. Moran a remand of three days in police custody was granted. Mr. Y. K. Kan for the defence requested bail which was opposed by the prosecution on the grounds that the charge carried a life imprisonment.

Quarantine restrictions imposed by the Government of Hong Kong against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of smallpox have been removed.

Nurses Board Examination

The following have passed the Nurses Board Examination held in May and June this year under the Nurses Registration Ordinance:—

Preliminary Passed

Government Hospital:—Dora Tiu, Patricia Wong, Teresa Mok, Catherine Chan, Lucy Kwok, Agnes Jung, Annie Wong, Karina Khan, Eliza Leung, Joyce Feters, Rita F.Y. Wong and Joseph Hui, Tung Wah Hospital, Ng Lai Kin.

Kwong Wah Hospital:—Chiu King Nang, Chan Suet Ying, Chow Yuk Chun, Kan Fung Wah, Fung Suk Ho, Lau Shun Yee, Mak Lai Sum, Yiu Oi Lin, Yeung Sheung Lan, Yu Wai Man.

Tung Wah Eastern Hospital:—Chuk Lai King, Chan Wai Yu, Chang Chi Ming, Chau Yuen Yee, Fung Yuet Ngo, Ho Chi Wai, Ko So Ping, Lee Kiu Lan, Lo King Wah, Li Wai Nga, Lee Oi Lin, Leung Yee Mei, Tang Kim Bing, Tsang Wai Chun, Tuet Chi Wah and Cheng Chiu Yee.

Nethersole Hospital:—Su In Hing, Chan Kam Yung, Chan Kit Yung, Chan O Kwan, Cheng Yun Chi, Chan Yau Lin, Chiu Kit Ling, Chau Koon Jing, Fan Kim Judament, T. T. KENG PO Sang, Kwok Kim Wa, Liu Pui King and Cheung Tsz Kwan.

Final: Passed

Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital:—Chan Choi Fong, Chan Lai Yue, Tang Fuk Yung, Wong Po Shim and Chau Oi Foon.

Canton Hospital, Chung Yuet Sun.

Government Hospitals:—Bella Leung, Ada Kwong and Kitty Lam.

Tung Wah Hospital:—Chow Yung, Yik Po Chue, Wong Wai Yee, Chan Kam Fong, Ho Wai Yee, Ho Hau Mei, Ho Yuek Wan, Li Lai Sim, Tse Bing Ming, Wong Yim and Luk Yuen Kwan.

Kwong Wah Hospital:—Ma Yuet Han, Ng Wai Yuen, Ng Hui Kau, Sit Cheuk Wan, Chan Hung Kai, Leo Shau Chun, Lee Lai Shing and Lau Hing Chee.

Tung Wah Eastern Hospital:—Ching Kam Woon, Li Sau Yung and Watt Yuet Mok.

Nethersole Hospital:—Hung Yuk Ching and Chiu Wai Tok.

ASSAULTED A TRAM DRIVER

Charged with assaulting the motorman of a tram in D.J. Voeux Road Central near the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, Chan Yiu Kong, 22, motor driver, was bound over in the sum of \$190 for 12 months.

The defendant claimed that he was assaulted and he only related.

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Secret Plan To Evacuate Americans From China?

Scripps-Howard Correspondent's Report Emergency Scheme Prepared

Washington, July 18. The Scripps-Howard writer, William Newton, in a dispatch from Tokyo, said that secret plans had been drawn up for the evacuation of Americans from China and Korea in the event of an emergency.

Newton wrote: "With the situation in China steadily deteriorating and the United States-Soviet Joint Commission deadlocked in Korea, top military and naval leaders in the Far East prepared a plan for the quick evacuation of Americans from either country, largely by air."

"The United States does not have sufficient military force in China to make a stand against large-scale efforts by the Chinese Communist armies, for example, in Korea there are several divisions of American troops south of the 38th Parallel, but if trouble should arise it would be necessary to evacuate hundreds of civilian employees and Army dependents."

"The Russians have trained and equipped a 'North Korean People's Army' of several hundred thousand men in their zone. There is no comparable organization in South Korea."

"While officials say the evacuation plan is routine precaution, there is definite evidence the programme is receiving their serious attention and the training of personnel and securing of additional air evacuation equipment already has begun."

Newton said the American air forces were capable of evacuating 100,000 people from almost any area in the Orient in less than 30 days. He added that the combat readiness of the Far East air forces had stepped up 200 per cent since June 1946.

Re-Building

"As a result of the rapid demobilization of the AAF, combat effectiveness in the Orient was reduced to an all-time low a year ago. Personnel were being replaced so rapidly that in some units there was a 400 per cent turnover in officers and enlisted men in a few months time."

Today, Lt. Gen. Ennis C. Whitehead, commanding general of the FEAF, and one of the nation's ablest air commanders, is building his force back up to peak effectiveness with the limited number of planes and men available. In June, for example, FEAF aircraft flew 65 per cent more hours than in June 1946. In an average month, troop carrier units fly 387,000 miles and carry over 5,000 passengers and more than 2,500,000 pounds of cargo.—United Press.

Francis Wu Picture Awarded

One of the four Bronze Plaques awarded at the Sixth Lucknow International Salon of Photographic Art, sponsored by the United Provinces Amateur Photographic Association in Lucknow and Allahabad, has come to Hong Kong.

The recipient is Mr. Francis Wu, one of Hong Kong's leading photographers, whose entry was among more than 3,000 others displayed at Lucknow in March.

Mr. Wu, who has more than 15 years' photographic experience behind him and who started with a box camera, sent in an entry titled "Old but Delicious" depicting a wrinkled Chinese coolie puffing at a foreign cigarette butt picked up from the street.

The photograph is now on display at Mr. Wu's studio in the Gloucester Arcade.

Stowaways Gaoled

When the s.s. "Hunan" was about to sail for Swatow on July 18 twelve Chichow coolie stowaways were found among the steerage passengers and Police assistance had to be sought to get them off the ship. Inspector Clark of the Waterfront Unit, prosecuting them in the Marine Court yesterday for unlawful boarding, said stowaways were a continual source of trouble as they came and went in the same way, and he suggested a prison sentence as a deterrent as well as some publicity in the Chinese press.

Marine Magistrate Garland was in agreement with the prosecution and sentenced each of the men to 21 days hard labour without the option of a fine.

One man who asked for sympathy after sentence was passed, was told by His Worship that the maximum penalty was two months.

The charge against two sampan women of approaching within thirty yards of the s.s. "Marine Lynx" on July 18 before the Police flag was lowered, was remanded for 48 hours when both defendants pleaded not guilty.

Any person who saw the accident in which "Sanitary" Department lorry No. 8141 and a Chinese male named Chow Sing were involved in Hennessy Road near O'Brien Road in Wanchai District at about 8.10 p.m. on Saturday July 12, is requested to inform any police station or send name and address to Police Headquarters.

Elizabeth And Her Sister



Their Majesties the King and Queen and the Princess Elizabeth and Margaret, are seen here at the London County Council reception on July 8th, only two days before Elizabeth's betrothal to Philip Mountbatten was announced. (A.P. Photo)

Complainant Vouches For Defendant

The somewhat unusual case of a complainant acting as bondsman for the defendant occurred in Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr's Court at Kowloon yesterday when Lam Po-yan stood guarantor for Lam Kin-hau's good behaviour for the next twelve months in the sum of \$500.

Lam Po-yan was cited as complainant in a charge preferred by DSI C. Dowman against Lam Kin-hau 20, of Jarenby of bail of the sum of \$1,000 on July 17.

According to DSI Dowman, the defendant was a nephew of the complainant and was employed as a caddy in the latter's knitting factory (Shing Pak Knitting Factory, 14-15 Un Chau Street) for the past 12 months at \$15 per month. He was constantly entrusted with large sums of money to bring to money-changers to change into notes of small denominations.

On July 17, continued DSI Dowman, he was given two \$500 to change into small notes. As he did not return by 1.30 p.m., his uncle made a report to the Police and inquiries were instituted. When his bicycle was found outside a house at Prince Edward Road a watch was kept and accused arrested when he returned for the bicycle that night.

Questioned by the Police, went on DSI Dowman, defendant stated that he paid \$210 to the Wah Nam Driving School for driving lessons, bought a watch for \$30, a fountain pen for \$5, and spent \$50 on food. The balance of \$701 was found on him. DSI Dowman added that a representative of the Driving School told the Police that they were prepared to refund the money to the complainant as defendant had not yet received any driving instructions.

Lenient View

Asking for a lenient view to be taken, DSI Dowman pointed out that complainant's loss was very slight and that it was the belief of the Police that what defendant did was done on the spur of the moment. The temptation was very great to a man earning only \$15 a month, said the prosecution officer, especially when he wanted to remit some money to his mother.

If the act had been a pre-meditated one, added DSI Dowman, defendant would not have returned for his bicycle that night as he must have known that a hue and cry would have been raised when he failed to return to the factory. He would have left for China instead, concluded the prosecuting officer.

"Young Chap"

When His Worship inquired as to whether defendant's uncle was prepared to take him back,

In Brief

Vyner Reginald Gordon, a lieutenant in the Royal Scots and assistant secretary of the Hong Kong Tramways, who died of cancer in Queen Mary Hospital on Jan. 6, 1942, left local estate worth at \$62,400. The petition of A. Ritchie, chartered accountant, and Mr. H. J. Armstrong, solicitor, for probate of the will has been granted.

The petition of Anna Green-vitch for grant of letters of Administration to the estate of her husband, Alexander Green-vitch, who died on May 19, 1947, intestate leaving \$13,600 was granted.

The Rotary Club of Hong Kong will meet at 12.30 p.m. on Tuesday next in the Gloucester Hotel. Rotarian Hubert Liang, who is making a tour of the China Clubs at the request of Rotary International, will speak on "International Understanding."

The Gazette contains a list of special typhoon precautions for aircraft at Kai Tak announced by the Director of Air Services.

Through his counsel, Mr. C.A.S. Russ, Luen Hing, licensed lorry driver, was remanded for a week by Mr. F. X. D'Almeida at Central yesterday when he appeared on two charges of obstruction and driving without due care.

OPIMUM DEN

With a previous conviction for keeping an opium den, Yeung King-kwan, 22, was fined \$400 when he pleaded guilty before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday to possession of three tins of prepared opium on July 18.

Prosecuting, R/O Carroll said that during a raid on the first floor of 28 Shantung Street, R/O Fowler discovered several pots of opium hidden in a drawer of a desk. Defendant admitted possession.

Shows Too Much Of Herself

New York, July 18. Because she "shows too much of herself," New York police refused to issue a cabaret employee's card to fan-dancer Sally Rand.

Ms Rand appealed to the Supreme Court to direct the police to issue her with a card. She told the judge: "I first appear on the stage in a white silk dress."

"My breasts are covered by a brassiere consisting of five layers over the centre part."

"The outer parts are not quite so thickly covered."

Leonard Kaplin, counsel for the police, claimed that Miss Rand had violated Rule 20 of the Cabaret Regulations.

This rule provided that "no person may appear at a night club with the upper or lower portions of the body uncovered, or in a costume that suggests nudity of these areas."

Kaplin added: "Our information is that Rand appeared uncovered."

"Her breasts were exposed."

The judge reserved his decision. Sally Rand has been appearing at Greenwich Village in an exotic act called "White Bird Flying in the Moonlight," in which she waves ostrich plumes as she dances.

"Aussie" Horses For Ethiopia

Melbourne, July 18. The Emperor of Ethiopia has ordered 60 black and 60 grey chargers from the Commonwealth Government, a Commerce and Agriculture Department official reveals.

"The official said that the Government was making final inquiries before calling for tenders."

The Emperor had specified that the horses should be four-year-olds and 60 inches high (15.3 hands).

He required them for the imperial bodyguard at Addis Ababa.

The Emperor described the bodyguard as "tall men, but not heavy."

The Emperor also asked for horse boxes, saddles, and an experienced horsemaster to accompany the horses to Djibouti (Somali, East Africa).

Department officials say it will take three months to buy and break-in the horses.

'Hobart' In Port

The Australian cruiser, H.M.A.S. Hobart (Captain D. H. Harvey, R.A.N.) arrived on Friday for a week's visit after a normal tour of duty in Japan. Hobart was last in Hong Kong in October, 1946.

The Commander-in-Chief's despatch vessel, H.M.S. Alert, will leave Hong Kong on July 23 for Nanking. H.E. the British Ambassador to China and Lady Stevenson will embark in Alert for a visit to Japan returning to Nanking in mid-August. Alert is expected back in Hong Kong about Aug. 25.

The destroyers Constance and Consort left Hong Kong yesterday for Swatow and Japan.

The submarine Amphion is now on her way to Australia for training with units of the Royal Australian Navy.

The submarine Aeneas has recently rejoined her flotilla in Japan after a similar visit to Australian waters.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

Shanghai, July 19. A Central News dispatch from Changchun quoted a former court attendant of Henry Pu-yi, former puppet Emperor of Manchukuo, as saying that Pu-yi's brother, Pu Chieh, committed suicide a few days after the Japanese surrender on Aug. 15, 1945.

Pu Chieh was a graduate of the Imperial Military Academy and served as an instructor at the puppet Manchukuo Military Academy with the rank of major.

His wife is the daughter of a Japanese nobleman being detained by the Chinese authorities.—United Press.

FLOOD RELIEF

Over \$6,000 was raised on Friday night by Hong Kong's Redding sing-song girls in aid of Kwangtung flood victims.

Thirty-three girls who sang at times in the most popular tea-houses, the Sincere's Road, the Leun Heung, and Ko Shing, contributed the night's earnings.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE SPEECH DAY

The overcast sky and threatening weather did not dampen the enthusiasm of the large crowd which gathered at Stanley yesterday afternoon for the first post-war prize-giving ceremony of St. Stephen's College.

Highlight of the afternoon's programme was the presentation to Mr. N. C. Wong, of his M. A. Certificate, which was found in the Internment Camp at Stanley.

Those present included the Rt. Rev. Bishop Hall, Dr. S. W. Ho, Rev. Chung Yee-lan, Rev. F. R. Myhill and Messrs. Cheung Wing-kue, Chau Pak-luk, Chan Kiu-man, A. W. Hughes, Chien Sai, N. C. Wong, A. C. J. Asche, Chau Tien-chi, Chu Siu-fu, Chok Kon-sang, Fung Man-fui, Chiu Yue-nin and Chan Yu-chung.

The annual report reads in part as follows:—

"Fortitudinis Fundamentum fides." For forty-four years this School motto has been an inspiration, and never more than in the 44 months when Internees were able to view our crest on the wall of the School Hall.

"During the War Period, we lost four of our staff—Messrs. A.E. Job, C.H. Tam, J.A. Gaunt and Mrs. Martin. In December 1941 the Military Hospital occupied the main building and bungalows. As it was Christmas Vacation, only fifty students were in the hostel. Eight of these became ambulance drivers. Others carried shell casualties from the village to Tseung Bay Hospital, which was staffed by our servants under Mrs. Martin as Supervisor. Many of our students helped at the Military Hospital. Three days after the Battle of Stanley, the students were allowed by the Japanese to proceed to their local guardians in the city."

"St. Stephen's College then became the Civilian Internment Camp. One thousand, nine hundred and three thousand Internees were housed in the College buildings. The Mok Tower and the Junior masters' house had been struck by shells and later the school house and two bungalows were hit by bombs, with severe casualties in one instance."

"In 1945, the Police Training School occupied the buildings. St. Stephen's College, however, was opened in September, in one building, and reopened fully in January 1947. Our full complement is 160 boarders, and we have had 152 this year. In addition to some day-boys, now that the bedrooms are all repaired we hope to have our full number in September."

"The preparatory school was opened in April and will resume on 8th September, with boarders and day-children and qualified teachers."

"About \$40,000 was spent on repairs in lieu of rent by the police training school. Since then we have spent an additional \$150,000 on repairs and equipment. None of this latter sum has come from Government or from abroad. Voluntary subscribers, including Internees and old boys, have given \$30,000 and we thank them warmly. We know they would not wish us to mention their names."

Bishop Hall referred to the large number of schools in this Colony which had been founded by or received support from Dr. Tso. Bishop Hall said that Dr. Tso had always taken a keen interest in St. Stephen's and it was most appropriate that he should be asked to distribute the prizes at the first post-war meeting of the College.

Dr. Tso said that it was with the greatest pleasure that he had accepted the kind invitation to attend and give away the prizes.

St. Stephen's Speech Day had always had a particular appeal to him and he had never failed to attend any such meetings since the foundation of the College.

Dr. Tso referred to yesterday's Speech Day as a unique one in that it was the first meeting of the College since the re-occupation.

On conclusion of the prize-giving, Bishop Hall took the opportunity of recording the thanks of one and all to Canon Martin and to the Old Boys of the College, without whose vision, courage and determination, St. Stephen's College would not be occupying its present high position.

Bishop Hall also referred to the presence at the meeting of Bishop Mann, who was on a mission to the Church in Japan. Bishop Hall expressed the hope that Bishop Mann would convey to the Japanese Church, a message of Christian goodwill from the Colony.

The prize-winners were:—

Dux of School—Ip Hung-wan. (Mok Kon-sung Medal presented by Old Boys). "Well On" Prizes—Ulysses Kan and Ng Yew-wah. "Warner History" Prizes—Ulysses Kan and Wong Yee-wan. "Barnett Prizes" (To be awarded).

Graduation Certificates—Au Ching, P. K. Chua Whye-tung, "Chung" Chak-cho, Ip Hung-wan, Ip Hung-woo, Ip Ping-yu, Ip Ping-yu, Ulysses Kan, Kwok Hing-yu, Lin Tsiun-kwong, Ng Yew-wah, Ling Tsiun, Pui, Lee, Ma, Man-biu, Wong Sing-jui, and Yip Tung-ai.

Form VI.—Ip Hung-wan, Ulysses Kan, Ip Ping-yu, Chung Chak-cho. Form V.—Ma Chan-shong, Ma Chan-chow, Lei Hei-kit, Hu Tai-pong, Lai Chung-man. Form IV.—Peter Lam, Yao Hsing-sang, Alex. Kan, Walter Jong, Yang Kiam-an, Wong Shiu-yan. Form III.—Chen Yu-cheng, Wong Pui-ki, Fu Shek-kwong, Ho Shu-ning, Yeung Tso-yea, Chen Feng-yuan, Wong Chung-ling. Form II.—Chen Yu-ko, Lau To-hin, Yue Shiu-jong, Tsao Ka-hit, Chan Kai-sing. Form I.—Lim Tong-bi, Chan Ser-chung, Wang Yuan-ming, Wu Chit-yin.

Chinese Prizes

Form VI.—Ulysses Kan, Chung Chak-cho, Paul Lee, Form V.—Hu Tai-pong, Lee Lung-pun, Lai Chung-man, Lei Hei-kit (Special Prize). Form IV.—Kwo Yueh-shou, Wong Hok-sing, Peter Lam, Lee Hon-chee (Special Prize). Form III.—Chen Yu-cheng, Wong Pui-ki, Ng Kiu-sing, Chen Feng-yuan (Special Prize), and Fu Shek-kwong (Special Prize). Form II.—Chen Yu-ko, Tsao Ka-hit, Yue Shiu-jong. Form I.—Lim Tong-bi, Ko Hung-geue, Wang Yuen-ming.

Preparatory School

Chan Kai-ding, Wong Kit, Cheng Ka-kit, Cheng Ka-wing.

In an attempt to stop unlicensed cigarette sellers in the street eight female sellers appeared before Mr. Conklin at Central yesterday. Their cigarettes were confiscated and they were each fined \$15.

URBAN COUNCIL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the intention of the Urban Council to exhume the remains of the deceased persons buried in the graves in an unauthorised cemetery on New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3504, Kung Tong Village, and to rebury them in New Kowloon No. 8 Cemetery (Diamond Hill) on the expiry of fourteen days from the date of publication of this notice.

R. W. H. MAYNARD, Secretary, Urban Council.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1947.

NOTICE

THE CHINA COAST NAVIGATING AND ENGINEER OFFICERS' GUILD.

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Hong Kong, July 20th, 1947.

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HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association will be held at the Gloucester Hotel, top floor, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, on Monday the 28th day of July, 1947, at 5.30 o'clock in the afternoon to receive and consider the Accounts and Balance Sheet and the Report of the Council and Auditors, and to elect Officers for 1947/48.

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Coal "Gamble"

As to coal, recent references to a possible return to a six-day week in the pits command no serious attention in Whitehall. Ministers know that the miners would never consent to abandon the five-day week. For good or ill the "gamble" of the five-day week is on, and its bearing on the situation next winter cannot yet be estimated.

Government and Opposition are both anxiously waiting to see if the example of Yorkshire (where production has decreased, despite a larger labour force, and absenteeism has increased, after a brief initial spurt) will be repeated elsewhere. In Scotland the output of 400,000 tons a week, which is the proportionate contribution to the United Kingdom target, has not yet been reached, but there are extenuating circumstances in Scotland.

Says CHARLES GAYTON

There will be a demand for debate in the Commons if the returns from other areas are unsatisfactory. But Parliamentary debates cut no coal.

Staggered Hours

Widespread staggering of hours in industry to ease the load on over-pressed electricity generating plant next winter is an integral part of the measures which the Government is trying to take to prevent what might be a worse breakdown than that experienced last winter. At last good progress appears to have been made towards a practicable system.

Employers and unions in the ship-building and engineering industries, who met last week under the aegis of the Ministry of Labour, are likely to solve the problem by agreeing on a two-shift system which, while avoiding night work, will enable two full shifts to be worked per day by a limited amount of over-lapping at a time when the power stations can cope with it.

A prime objection to two entirely separate shifts between ap-

proximately 6 a.m. and 10.30 p.m. has always been that, with breaks for meals, and with time lost between the finishing of one shift and the starting of another, neither could do a full day's work, and a serious loss of production would result.

A further meeting of the ship-building and engineering group will be held. If, as is strongly hoped, agreement can be reached in this group, with its 2,500,000 organised workers, a valuable lead will be given to other sections of industry, similar conferences of which are to be held.

On the domestic side, the Government hopes that voluntary economies will be sufficient, but a compulsory rationing system is in the background.

Difficulties Increase

The Cabinet Fuel Committee will shortly review the whole position. The Government is determined to avoid at all costs a further serious breakdown at an even more critical juncture in the country's economic affairs. That would be a political as well as an economic disaster. Ministers do not delude themselves about the judgment of the country in such an event.

But the difficulties are greater than they were. Coal output is at present unpredictable; no one can say whether the inadequate target of 200,000,000 tons for this

year will be reached. The gap between requirements in electrical power and generating capacity will be substantially greater next winter than last because the provision of new plant is not keeping pace with demand, let alone overtaking it.

Incentives And Houses

Having tried for many months by formal approach to the building unions to get a system of incentives to accelerate house construction, the Government proposes to try an indirect method. It is going to amend the wartime regulation which in effect forbids the payment of bonuses to attract labour and encourage hard work.

Then, it is hoped, production incentives will be introduced by local arrangements—in short, the system long blocked at the top will be brought in at the bottom. Lord Quibell, a Labour peer and a Lincolnshire master builder worked the bonus system, successfully—his bricklayers earned up to 30s. a week more than the trade union rate—until his practice was stopped by the union's intervention.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan will welcome the Government's move. Housing lags far behind schedule. Why did not the Government decide to remove the ban on bonuses months ago? The answer is that in all matters concerning the trade unions it trends delicately and slowly.

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Dr. George Gretton Agrees With Mr. Morrison That Britain Can Face The Future With Confidence

Planned Economy But Not An Exclusive One

The ability of the people of Britain to face up to difficulties is seldom disputed. The present world economic crisis is no exception. Political leaders and technical experts have never ceased in the last two years to impress on their countrymen that they are facing a situation in some ways as dangerous as their stand against the Axis in 1940. This parallel was again recalled by the Lord President of the Council, Mr. Herbert Morrison, in the sober factual debate on Britain's import programme in the House of Commons last week. Mr. Morrison pulled no punches. He outlined the difficulties of Britain's present position quite frankly and brought the now familiar record up to date. In particular, he revealed that the rate of drawing on the U.S.A. and Canadian loans is now running at \$800,000,000 a year and that the increase is due mainly to a forty per cent. rise in U.S.A. prices.

But, more important, he stated that the battle cannot be won by any immediate expansion of exports coupled with any practicable import cuts. The position is indeed like 1940: Britain could not then defeat Germany directly by any steps she could have taken. What she did was to hold the Axis forces while she organised the long-term strategy of victory. At the most critical time she sent all the armoured forces she had to the Middle East in pursuit of a wider strategy, having faith that the free peoples of the world would ultimately become organised against the enemy. Later she sent equipment for many armed divisions to Russia even while her own armies were still short of tanks. In the same way since the second World War she has given or lent goods and services to the value of \$700,000,000 to countries which needed them—an equivalent of almost one year's drawings on dollar loans at the present high rate. This is parallel strategy of helping to mobilise world resources as

well against a common enemy—then it was the Axis powers, now it is scarcely and want Mr. Morrison referred to the success of that great wartime device of mutual aid—the pooling of resources to expand the global war effort.

In pointing to this solution of Britain's problem—which is also a world problem—Mr. Morrison was only restating the principles upon which Britain has throughout based her reconstruction policy. These are the principles of full employment and of expansion of prosperity through expanding world economy. "We as a great commercial nation," he said, "are staking our whole future on the creation of a sane economic system."

The response to the Marshall offer and the fact that so many European nations are getting together to plan a common approach to European reconstruction, underline the soundness of Mr. Morrison's faith. But this faith is not founded simply on "expectation of help from outside. As in 1940 it is based primarily on the spirit and efforts of the British people themselves. Mr. Morrison reaffirmed Britain's own determination to play the fullest part. Not only Britain but the world, he said, must produce or perish, and Britain's production has surmounted great difficulties. "Without direction of labour," he said, "without ample supplies of the raw materials and food-stuffs to which we are accustomed, we have done more to restore and outstrip pre-war production than any other country which felt the impact of enemy explosives and revolutionised its whole economy for war as we did."

The aspect of the question—Britain's determination to organise herself 100 per cent. and contribute the maximum to a

not surprising that Mr. Morrison was able to say—"all of us in this country are entitled to face the future whatever it holds with confidence."

It is not a coincidence that the announcement of the membership of this planning board should have come a day before Mr. Morrison's re-affirmation of Britain's faith in the organisation of world prosperity. There have been planned economies before but Britain's approach to planning has something new and unique about it. Other planned economies have always been restrictive in the sense that they have always been able to function only in a closed area—a "Wirtschaftsraum" and have therefore involved the drawing of strict economic frontiers and economic segregation. Britain alone has succeeded in bridging the gap between national planning and international planning. Against this great and revolutionary achievement even the stern task of closing the other and more material gap is a relatively straight forward task. So it is

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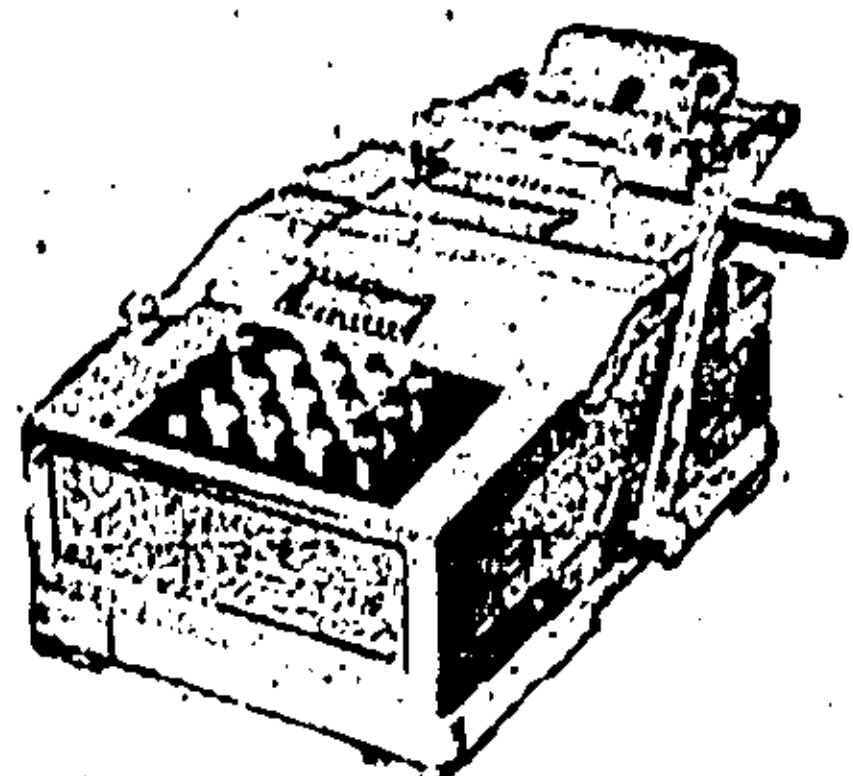
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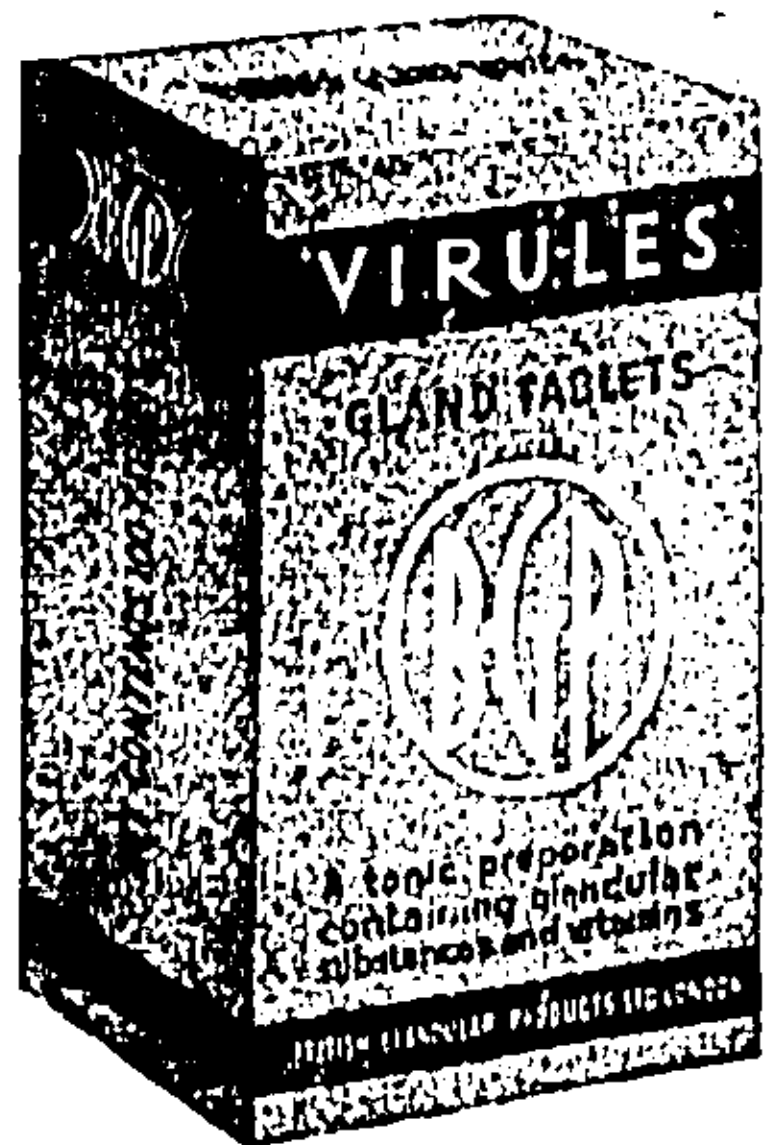
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Discuss Conditions in Italy and Denmark

LIFE IN ROME NOW IS A GLORIOUS FREE FOR ALL

By R. McDowell

Rome, Thursday.
From Calais to Cannes,
from Biarritz to Basle,
British will go to bed
fretfully flinging their
skinny wallets and dreaming
of doubtful cheques and
hotel reception clerks who un-
roll gigantic bills with a cruel
smile and hiss, "Scotland Yard
will get you if you don't watch
out!"

But this side of the Alps,
where the value of the pound
rises like the last solo in
"Tosca" and travelers' cheques
all like hot spaghetti, the
shadow of Inspector Wilfred
Turr has never cooled the tour-
ist's head.

Maybe he is waiting for the
next elephant. Maybe he
knows there is no point in com-
ing.

Italy is the one country in
Europe where the traveller
from the United Kingdom need
not worry about the finance re-
gulations. Here on 47s he can
have everything in the Roman
holiday except throwing Christ-
ians to the lions. And he can
return through the currency re-
gulations which springs from inno-
cence any day. "If you are look-
ing for a fiddler, get Nero!"

The legal rate of exchange is
900 lire to the pound. But
this serves only to find employ-
ment for those whose vocation
is filing up forms. The Ital-
ians still go bald-headed for
individualistic economy, run on
the old-fashioned laws of sup-
ply and demand. They would
not dream of depriving a man
of his job by removing regula-
tions—so long as that man does
not make a nuisance of himself
by enforcing them.

Moonlight And Music

Italian business men want
sterling. They know they
would not get sterling at the
agreed rate of 900 to the pound.
So they are giving tourists 2,

000 for a one-pound note and
—don't ask me why—2,200 for
a traveller's cheque.

This is now so commonplace
that all the big banks have in-
stalled in their buildings an un-
official exchange office which
might be vulgarly described as
a black market. But the black
market in Italy is now the mar-
ket proper.

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glorious free-for-all which suits
the sunshine and the songs from
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velvet sky, to nostalgic Nea-
politan music, you may dine on
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ter, a basketful of strawberries,
cherries, apricots and oranges,
a lump of Gorgonzola cheese,
a bottle of amber, heady Frascati
and a cup of real coffee for be-
tween 7s. 6d. and 10s. a head.

Afterwards you can take a
carrozza, and to the sleepy trot
of the lanky nag see the Colos-
seum by moonlight, skirt the
glory of the Forum, climb to
the Capitol, and come home
past Sheney's house on the
Piazza Spagna—an hour's
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shillings.

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men's lower lips trembling.
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of the rainbow, in every size,
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the type not seen in England
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in any quantity, without cou-
pons, for between 11 10s. and
14 a pair.

Nylon stockings are 18s. a
pair, without queues. Real

silk are between seven and ten
shillings. Nighties, panties, and
all the other mysterious trap-
pings of the female form seem
to be about 30s. a set.

You can buy silk for summer
frocks in bright bold designs
at 8s. a yard and a made-up
garment for 12 10s. Delicate
gloves, in lace and suede, are
plentiful at 10s. a pair.

Jacks-in-Office Are On Way Out

Do not infer from this that
Italy for the Italians is a land
flowing with milk and honey.
There is destitution among the
cyprius and the olive groves.

Diseased and rickety children
dart among the elegant cars of
the new rich. The professional
and middle classes have seen
their incomes become a drop in
the flood of inflation. To you
a 1,000-lire note is ten shillings.
The Italians still regard this
pink token, almost as big as a
napkin, as something like ten
pounds.

But there is a stirring in Italy,
a pulsating regeneration, a
movement like the uncoiling of
a spring to tear through the
festoons of red-tape and find
work with liberty.

It is easy to see, by the way
they wave their arms about
and yell, that the legions of
Nosey Parkers and Jacks-in-
Office, set up by a confused and
shaky Government in the name
of democracy, are losing their
grip. They are fast approach-
ing the day when they will have
to quit their tin-pot desks and
take up the hoe and trowel
which are their heritage.

Railways Rebuilt

I served in Italy for more
than two years and contributed
to the havoc it was necessary
to wreak to rid the country of
Germans.

Returning after 18 months
abroad, I was amazed at the

heading to tell everyone that
"cakes and pastries are in dan-
ger."

At the moment Denmark is
just recovering from a potato
famine which lasted for about
three weeks and caused thou-
sands of workmen to down
tools in order to demonstrate
outside the Parliament building.

Denmark had a record potato
crop last year and decided to
export as many as possible.
Then the frost came along and
spoiled a large part of those
which had been stored for home
consumption.

But just in case you feel like
running out to start a collec-
tion for the poor starving
Danes I can assure you that
they are still almost certainly
the best-fed people in Europe,
in spite of their grumbles.

The two things of which the
Danes are really short of are
tea and coffee. The monthly
ration is a quarter of a pound
of tea or half a pound of coffee.

But the Danes have at last
got over their habit of looking
upon Britain as a wonderland
where money can buy almost
everything. Knowing that I
was going to the U.K. soon I
asked a friend, the other day,
if there was anything I could
bring back for him. After
thinking for a few seconds he
replied, "Is there anything
which they've got over there
which we haven't?"

I came to the conclusion that
apart from bacon, coffee, and
cigarettes at 8s. 4d. (the
monthly ration here is 200)
there was not much.

My wife, who has been in
Britain recently, could not
think of anything either. And
that is what finally settled our
argument about the difficulties
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Stork Stuff

Wisteria, age 9, was a pre-
cocious brat. In fact she was too
precocious to live. Wisteria kept
a diary.

"Where did I come from,
mama?"
"Er—the stork brought you,
dear."

"This was not explicit enough
for Wisteria. She pressed the
matter further.

"Where did you come from,
then, mama?"
"The stork brought me, too,"
replied the cornered parent. Wis-
teria sought out her grand-
mother.

"Mama says the stork brought
me, and brought her, too, Grand-
ma. How's about giving me the
low down? Where'd you come
from?"

"The stork brought me, too,
darling."
Wisteria went to her room, got
her diary out and inscribed:
"After careful consideration,
and exhaustive research, I have
come to the conclusion that there
hasn't been any love life in our
family for the past three genera-
tions."

After That—

I thought I knew the American
language, but I went into a shop
in Washington one day and as-
ked an assistant whether she kept
stationery.

She replied, "For a certain
time, after that I get restless."
Sunday Dispatch, London.

The Truth

"My friends," said the pre-
acher, "I'm willing to wager that
there is not one woman in this
vast audience who hasn't at some
time in her life, resorted to a
lie."

"I haven't," shouted a little old
maid in the back of the hall.
"But, madam," cautioned the
speaker, "perhaps in your good-
ness, you do not understand what
I mean by lies."
"Lie? Oh, dear-me, I thought
you said guys."—Brevities,
Toronto.

Her Punishment

A female murderer, found
after her trial to be insane, was
told that the death-sentence had
been commuted and that she was
to be sent to Broadmoor for the
King's pleasure. "Well, well," she
answered, "I should have thought
that I was too old for that sort
of thing. But one lives and
learns."—Men Only, London.

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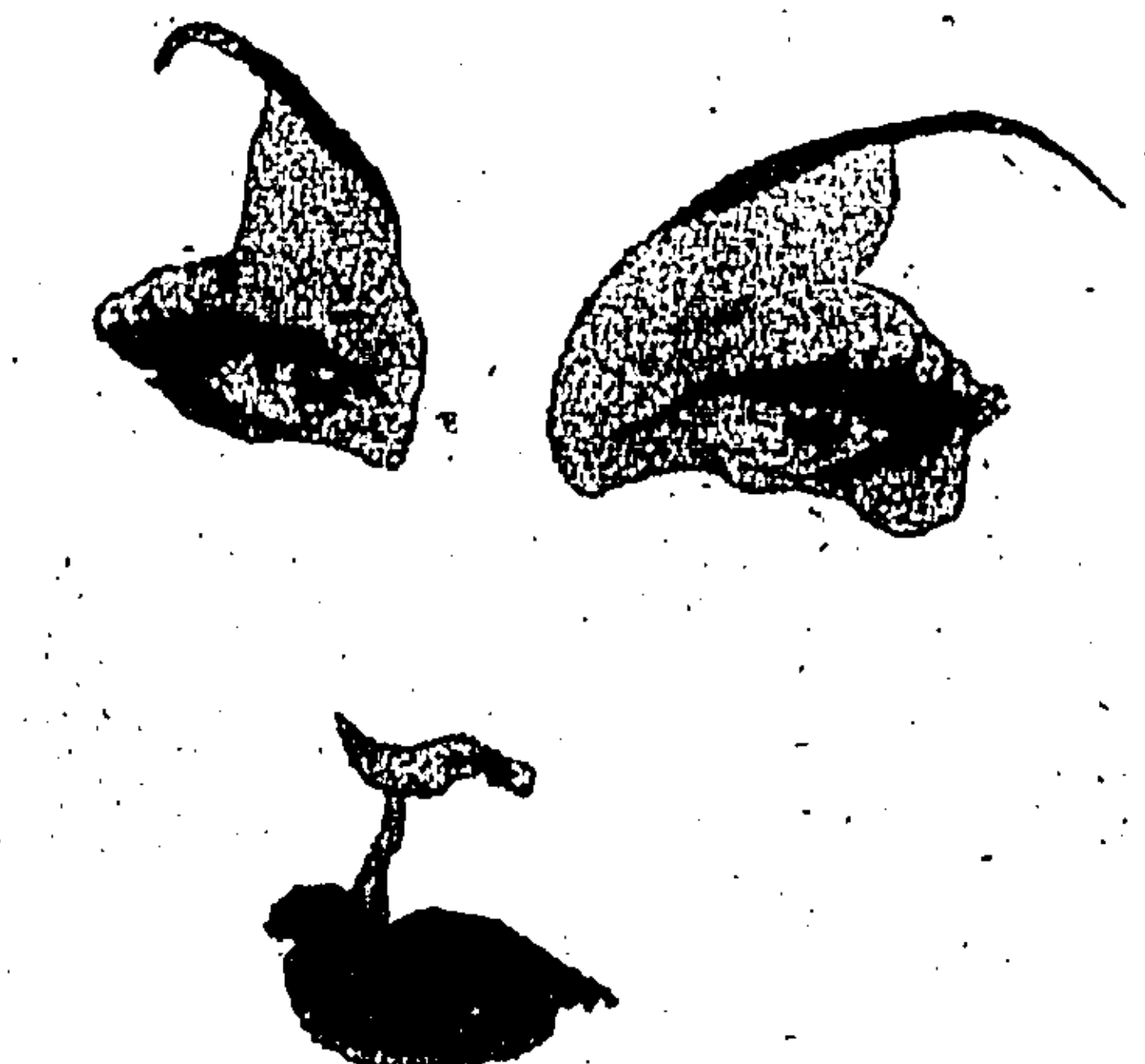
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FANTASTIC NEW ATOMIC WEAPON Bomb Capable Of Wiping Out Moscow Or Manchester

Crater 10 Miles Across!

Paris, July 19. Atomic scientists and Army experts have detonated a new atomic bomb capable of wiping out at one blow cities of the size of Paris, Moscow, Rome or Manchester. The bomb was detonated on the secret experimental range in the New Mexico desert, scene of the prototype atom bombs such as that dropped on Hiroshima.

Details of the tests are reported in Paris from what are described as "very reserved political and military sources possessing special information."

The explosion of the new atom bomb, it is stated, left a crater nearly 10 miles across and more than 2,900 feet deep. This would be sufficient to annihilate practically any world capital, a heavy industrial centre such as Sheffield, Pittsburgh or Essen or an entire coal basin. Various types of buildings constructed by U.S. Army engineers on the experimental site, including some of specially reinforced steel and concrete, were without exception reduced to powder by the bomb. Experts descending the crater several days later found no recognisable objects among the dust.

All-Plutonium

Indications are that the new bomb was not made to explode above the target as were the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombs. It is not known, however, whether it was fused to burst on impact or fitted with a "piercing" head and timed to explode after penetrating the target.

The new bomb, it is believed, may have been the first atomic weapon to use plutonium exclusively.

Fourteen thousand tons of silver are reported to have been used in the bomb's construction—some 1,000 tons more than the amount known to have gone into the making of the Hiroshima bomb. The silver used in atom bomb construction is not lost, being recovered in the manufacturing process. — Our Own Correspondent.

FOOD DUMPED

Denver, July 19. Thousands of bushels of wheat are being dumped on vacant lots and unprotected piles near railheads in southeast Colorado because there are no freight cars to move the crop. The record 50,000,000 bushel wheat harvest has overtaken rail facilities in the Eastern Colorado area. — Associated Press.

Soviet Workers Have Union Trouble

London, July 18. The Foreign Office is trying through the Ministry of Labour and the Trades Union Congress, as well as through friendly contact with the Soviet Embassy, to help to find a solution of the deadlock reported to have arisen between five Russian workers who came to England to learn how to make artificial limbs, and a union, believed to be the National Union of Furnishing Trade Operations.

Trouble has arisen between the Russian workers and the trade union concerned which, according to the Soviet trade union newspaper, Trud, pressed the workers to join the union.

Although the Foreign Office has no official standing in the dispute, it is anxious for a friendly settlement so that the Russians may have the full benefit from the special plant supplied by Mrs. Churchill's "Aid to Russia Fund" for equipping Russian artificial limbs factories.

The Russian workers came to Britain to learn methods to operate the plant. — Reuter.

NAZIS TO DIE

Frankfurt, July 18. Willy Auerwald, former SS chief, and Herman Eusten, were today sentenced to death by an American military court in Dachau for shooting inmates of the concentration camp at Stays, Austria.

Other defendants were sent to prison for ten to 15 years for ill-treating the camp inmates. — Reuter.

Belgrade, July 18. Tanjug, the Yugoslav news agency, quoted Albanian reports today that Greek aircraft flew over Albanian territory on four occasions between Monday and Tuesday this week. — Reuter.

Royal Wedding Speculation

London, July 19. Three London newspapers today asserted that despite an apparent public demand that Princess Elizabeth and Lt. Philip Mountbatten be married with pomp and pageantry, the King and Government may order a relatively small semi-private ceremony because of the nation's poverty.

A Government and Buckingham Palace spokesman said that they knew nothing to substantiate the reports and one court source said that the speculation seemed "premature" because no decision has been made. No one, however, flatly denied that the people may be denied a public show which many hoped would rival King George's and Queen Elizabeth's coronation.

The Daily Express, Daily Graphic and Daily Telegraph all suggested that the ceremony might be at St. George's Chapel at Windsor. The chapel holds only about 2,000.

Only two days ago the Express said that six out of seven letters to the editor were in favour of a big wedding at Westminster Abbey.

Speculation is that an Abbey ceremony would necessitate a national holiday—cutting Britain's vital production for export—as well as temporary timber stands and decorations—costing money and goods which some feel Britain can't spare.

The Telegraph said that the BBC would apply for permission to televise the wedding if it takes place in the Abbey. Television facilities were refused for the coronation. — Associated Press.

The Cake

Johannesburg, July 19. A movement has begun for South Africa to supply ingredients for Princess Elizabeth's wedding cake.

The ingredients are more readily procurable in South Africa than anywhere else in the Empire and it has been suggested that the cake should be baked there and flown to London for icing and decorating.

The Mayor of Johannesburg has endorsed a plan for an Empire-wide shilling subscription fund for a wedding present which has been enthusiastically taken up. — Associated Press.

100 YEARS IF NECESSARY

Frankfurt, July 18. Maj. Gen. Frank A. Keating, Deputy United States Military Governor, said today that the Americans will stay in Germany "if necessary for 100 years" to guarantee a free democratic country. — United Press.



Slacks were worn in the American style by this girl picket at a Royal Arsenal Co-operative store in southeast London on July 7. Behind her housewives queue in the hope that the strike will end and the shop re-open. The unofficial strike—for increased wages—affects 151 branches with 1,750,000 customers. Associated Press Photo.

British Film Invasion Of U.S.

London, July 18. Six Alexander Korda, Britain's biggest independent producer, said today that quality rather than quantity would be the British film industry's biggest weapon for large-scale invasion of the United States.

In a letter to the Times, Korda said Britain would have to tailor its output to the American republic. He wished to earn dollars and succeed in its struggle to cut expenditures from the American loan.

"If the British film industry is to live and prosper it does not have to produce an enormous number of films. What it must do is to produce as many films as it can of the highest possible quality," he wrote.

Korda, who is chairman of London Film Production Ltd., said the production of quality pictures was not so dependent on studio space as on "how many creative people we have here who can make first class films."

He said he was convinced that British films could be successful in the United States.

Quality First
"But the monetary value of British films in the United States does not depend only on the number of films we send there. It depends chiefly on the quality of these films."

"The final and essential factor which will determine our film revenue from America is whether the American public like our pictures and are willing to pay to see them."

"I am convinced that if we can send to America films that the American public like and which are profitable to show, there will be no resistance, organized or not, to playing of our films all over America," Korda said.

He said he believed that American theatres could absorb 40 to 50 first rate British pictures a year thus earning dollars with which to equalize in part the expenses incurred for American pictures. — United Press.

Franco Looks For A Puppet

Lisbon, July 19. General Franco is believed to be secretly negotiating for an heir in the traditional Spanish Royal Family line.

He has found a likely puppet in Alfonso, eldest nephew on the official but anti-Franco Pretender, Don Juan, Alfonso is a son of Don Juan's elder brother, Don Jaime, and his morganatic Italian wife, Emanuela.

I am able to reveal that Don Juan received a letter from his brother, Don Jaime, last week protesting at "Franco's indirect propaganda" in favour of Alfonso as Spain's next king. Don Jaime reaffirmed his official renunciation of all claims to the throne for himself and his children which he made in 1933 and re-confirmed last September.

It is known however, that Jaime and his wife, Emanuela, are seeking a divorce. Unofficially, it is considered probable therefore that Emanuela has been secretly negotiating with Franco on behalf of her son without the knowledge or permission of her husband. — Our Own Correspondent.

Eva Can't Make Up Her Mind

Lisbon, July 18. Senora Eva de Peron, 28-year-old wife of the Argentine President, said today that she was still uncertain about visiting London.

During the six weeks since the British Government's original invitation to Senora de Peron to visit England, there have been many conflicting reports of her decision.

Senora de Peron said that she was flying to Paris on Monday for an official visit lasting four or five days. She added that she was tired and feeling unwell and would decide in Paris whether to visit London or not.

Asked whether she would be going to the United States, Senora de Peron said that that had not been considered, but she would visit Brazil and Uruguay after her European tour. Before arriving in Lisbon she visited Spain and Italy. — Reuter.

Batavia, July 19. Deputy Premier A. K. Gani said early today that the Indonesian Republic had requested the British, French and Chinese Governments to use their good offices to prevent recurrence of a war in the Dutch East Indies. — Associated Press.

MARINES RUN RIOT

Houston, Texas, July 19. A riot squad of 15 police boarded a train after receiving a telegram from the train conductor that 53 marines were staging a fight inside a locked coach.

When they got there it was all over, but two of the Marines who had locked themselves in the coach as soon as they got on were taken to a Navy hospital for cuts and bruises. — Associated Press.

AMNESTY IN SPAIN

Madrid, July 18. About 12,000 prisoners are expected to benefit by an amnesty announced today which provides for the immediate release of prisoners with sentences of under 24 months and 25 per cent reduction for those with sentences of up to 12 years.

Altogether 40,500 prisoners of all kinds are now in Spanish jails, it was stated. — Reuter.

ATOMIC PILE IN N.Z.

Wellington, July 19. New Zealand's Minister for Scientific and Industrial Research Arnold Nordmeyer says the Dominion will have to consider in the very near future the erection of a "small, very low energy atomic pile" in New Zealand.

Medical isotopes, such as radio-active iodine, but neither bombs nor dangerous fission products, could be produced with such a pile, he said. — Associated Press.

Shannon Airport, July 18

Trans-Atlantic air traffic was delayed 12 hours, up to 9 a.m. (GMT) due to radio fade-outs caused by sunspots. However, it is now improving. — United Press.

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IN MEMORIAM

ROYLANCE.—In loving memory of Noleen Roylance who departed this life on 20th July 1946. Ever remembered by Mum, George and Desmond.

BIRTH

SHEPHERD.—On 19th July 1947, at Queen Mary Hospital to Insigne and Mrs. J. Shepherd, Hongkong Police, a son.

DEATH

MEADE.—On 4th July 1947, at 23 Southside Western-super-Mare Somerset, mother of the late Frank Meade, of Hong Kong, in her 92nd year.

HOUSING PLANS

Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie's amplification of his scheme for a heavily financed Housing Corporation, like the detailed outline of the Braga Cooperative Housing Society proposals, does more to bring home to the uninitiated the magnitude of the problem than it does to suggest the miracle solution. Mr. Kadoorie, talks in terms of a hundred million dollar company, at an investment rate roughly of ten millions a year for ten years. Mr. Braga contemplates the possibility, without pinning himself down to final figures or style of property, the building of bungalows for personal ownership at an ultimate cost to the individual of approximately \$4,000 a year for 25 years. What this means in comparative terms is best illustrated by the fact that the original cost of many of the houses on the Kowloon Tong Estate was round about \$8,000, the purchase price including 8,000 to 10,000 square feet of land. The disparity is so great as to leave the figures without any effective meaning, except to the extent that they indicate the enormous difficulty, in present-day conditions, of creating homes for those persons who are in the greatest need, the hard-pressed middle class. From their point of view, Mr. Kadoorie's proposals offer rather brighter immediate prospects. Without competing with land speculators, the Company, formed on the lines suggested, would seek suitable sites for the erection of blocks of flats, which, tackling the problem from a totally different angle, would tend to produce the accommodation in quicker time than seems feasible under a system of individual bungalow construction. The price of land is, however, the paramount issue, vital to the success of both schemes. Mr. Kadoorie makes a valuable point in stressing that his Corporation would serve the Colony's best interests by confining its activities to what other groups or individuals will not do. In other words, he is prepared to go to public action for a piece of land, to the lease of which an appropriate building covenant is attached, and on finding a third party ready to overbid the upset price and finance the proposed structure, withdraw from the bidding and take off his own building scheme to another site. Part of his achievement, it might then be hoped, would be that of promoting adventitiously, the erection of a second block of flats when but one was contemplated. By constant activity in the search for suitable sites, while working on the basis of refusing to pay more than the upset price, the Corporation would either obtain adequate space for development at fairly low cost, or inveigle others into hastening their own plans for new construction. Either way promises speedier progress in the provision of badly needed housing than can be assumed from any other scheme that has been publicly disclosed. Not is there the slightest reason why the Corporation project and those of Mr. Hugh Braga and Mr. U. Tat-chee should not go on side by side. There is so much that is attractive in the Housing Corporation plan that it would be deplorable were it to be torpedoed at the beginning by Government's insistence upon inflated valuations when assessing the price of land it is prepared to place at the Society's disposal. The case is strong for a special form of lease, aligned to the undertaking by the Society that no transfers would take place outside its direct control. Under these conditions, there appears no reason why the grant of land should not be made on nominal

Both Houses of Parliament greeted with approval the Government's proposal to set up a Colonial Development Corporation. It will have power to borrow up to £100 millions and to "establish or assist any enterprise in the colonies which is designed to increase their general productive capacity." It will operate on commercial principles, and is not intended to supplant private enterprise but to supplement it.

Parliament's general acceptance of the need for positive Government action and expenditure in order to develop the colonies represents a gradual movement of thought dating back over half a century. The construction (1896-1903) of the Uganda Railway, which cost the British Treasury nearly £54 millions, was perhaps the first challenging embodiment of the principle. But it was not till after the first world war that there was any readiness to apply it widely. Joseph Chamberlain's description of the colonies as "undeveloped estates" took over three decades to sink in. A beginning was made in 1929 with a grant of £1 million a year for colonial development. It was a response, though very inadequate, to the demands of practical men, and not least to those of Lord Altrincham (then Sir Edward Grigg), who as Governor of Kenya from 1926 to 1931, saw plainly the great scope for profitable Government expenditure in the East African colonies and the impossibility of getting them very far without it. It took the second World

War to induce the Treasury to see the problem to scale; and then by two Acts (1940 and 1945) our outlay was eventually raised to its present figure, which is £12 millions a year for ten years.

Paths Of Development

More recently the announcement of the great scheme for growing ground-nuts in Tanganyika has conveyed to the public imagination some idea of the sort of development of which the vast backward areas of tropical Africa are capable. The ground-nut project will not directly concern the new corporation, but it is intended that the special corporation, which will take over that enterprise after the United Africa Company has launched it, shall have close relations with the more general body. And it is expected that the Tanganyika scheme will be followed by others, whether for growing additional ground-nuts elsewhere, or for supplying some of the other tropical products of which the non-tropical world stands in so much need.

These enterprises need not be confined to the African continent. Outside it we have tropical colonies whose fertile but mainly undeveloped areas are enormous. It is sufficient to mention British Guiana on one side of the globe and the British shares in the huge islands of Borneo and New Guinea on the other. Extremely little has hitherto been done to develop either of these, or to

enable them to carry, as they easily might, a larger population with a much higher standard of life. Nor let us forget those smaller, but naturally productive colonies, such as the West Indies, in which the need is not so much to introduce civilised industry as to switch it over to new and paying forms.

But, when all is said, Africa is the touchstone. If we rise to our opportunities there, our Empire cannot be said to have failed; if we miss them, it cannot be said to have succeeded. The vastness of the Africa lands is seldom realised, because the bulk of the continent lies so near to the equator that our maps on Mercator's Projection show it smaller than it is. Leave out the more or less arctic parts of America, and Africa equals North and South America put together. Or look at it another way; you can, roughly, put the spaces of Europe, India, China, and Australia all inside it at once. Of course it contains much desert in the north, but its proportion of uncultivable area is not much out of scale with those in other continents, and less than Australia's. And in the British-ruled regions of tropical Africa it is far from high.

Vast Further Scope

Because its great rivers all have unnavigable cataracts at no great distance from their mouths, the interior of Africa was almost inaccessible until railways were built. When the pioneers explored it in the

nineteenth century, it was found to comprise vast areas either of tropical forest or of grass, intersected by unbridged rivers of all sizes. Much of it is still in that condition, very sparsely sprinkled with the villages of tribal Africans, who live by hunting or fishing or extremely primitive agriculture. Where enterprise has established itself in the form of mining or the growing of cocoa, palm-kernels, sisal or other exportable crops, more modern ways of life establish themselves. But, on the other hand, great areas are still given over to the wild elephant, the wild buffalo, the lion, the hippopotamus, and, worst plague of all, the tsetse fly.

To convert such areas to civilised uses requires a long and costly preparation. Railways and roads and bridges and ports must be constructed; areas must be fenced for cultivation; and other areas fenced off for the segregation and preservation of the magnificent but very destructive African fauna. Africans must be recruited and educated, not merely to work for others, but to do their own work with modern implements. Hoofing by hand must give place to ploughing by tractor. Difficult problems of native customs and white administration have to be solved.

Imponderables

To mention only a few of these tasks will answer the question why the field cannot be left solely to private enterprise. Private enterprise has qualities of initiative and flexibility which

are precious in Africa as elsewhere. But private enterprise necessarily looks for its return within relatively brief periods. The life of the individual is short compared with that of the State. Also there are many "imponderables," which the State can bring into its profit-and-loss account, and private enterprise cannot. To take an example, when the last war cut us off from our supplies of hemp, we were able to fall back for ropes and string upon African sisal. It might pay the State to secure such reserves for us at a loss. But of course the growers themselves could not work at a loss.

In planning wise capital expenditure on overseas development we may hope to replace in time those earlier overseas investments which our Victorian predecessors bequeathed to us. Only now that we have to do without so much of it are we fully realising how valuable that bequest was, and how much the imports received as interest on our grandfathers' and great-grandfathers' capital outlays contributed to a high standard of living for our own generation in Great Britain.

Limited Scope

With many overseas countries, scope for new trade is now limited. But between ourselves and the Africans there is the same natural basis of interchange today as formerly subsisted between us and Europe, us and Asia, us and America—viz., they want the manufactured goods and the engineering installations which we can supply, and we want the foods and raw materials which they can supply. Then, as now, the initiative must come largely from us, because until we provide the means they can neither produce exports nor market them.

There is no question here of our restricting our dependencies, as our Great Powers (including Russia) do, to trade with the imperial country. We do not cast an iron curtain round our dependencies; their commerce with foreigners before the war exceeded that with us. Yet it must be recognised that the strong tendency in the world today is towards direct trade between countries—barter trade, if you will—with contracts operating on a large scale and for long periods. In the case of Africa it is only on such terms that the wilderness can really be opened up and its backward inhabitants raised to standards nearer those of the human race elsewhere. On this road the Colonial Development Corporation may prove a milestone.

of the qualities of an Ulster Presbyterian—astute, a tactician, an intense nationalist with strong views and a hard head. He has also a keen sense of humour and if it is touched off laughs uncontrollably and keeps on bursting out into peals of merriment long after others have sought new conversational pastures. He is a man whom it is good to be able to call friend. Should anything happen to Aung San, Thakin Nu will be the ruler of Burma. He is still in Aung San's Lenin.

MEN, WOMEN AND MEMORIES

By ATTICUS II

The visit to London of Mr. William Clayton, the United States Under-Secretary for Economic Affairs, has excited much interest and speculation. For him to call on the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary would be common form, but in peace-time it is something of a new departure for the Minister of a foreign Power to meet together in formal conference, as Mr. Clayton did three times last week, several of the most important members of the Government.

Mr. Clayton, who was brought into the United States Government by President Roosevelt, is a very formidable person, standing 6 feet 4 inches, with a strong face and a chin which indicates that he can be as combative as occasion calls for. These qualities and a vigorous and ambitious mind were his only assets when, as a young man with little schooling, he began to make his way in the world. Obstacles crumbled before him and for years he has been head of the biggest American firm of cotton merchants.

In Government office he has been, and still is, working for the lowering of tariffs and other economic barriers between States. He is a good friend of this country and was an early advocate of British-American alliance in the second World War.

M. Herriot

Another welcome visitor was M. Herriot, the distinguished President of the French National Assembly. He is an honoured veteran—75, and he looks his age as he climbs the flight of steps leading to his presidential seat. But his mind is alert and his oratory still fresh and sparkling.

He became Mayor of Lyons in 1905, entered national politics as a Senator in 1912, moved to the popular Chamber and leadership of the Radical Party in 1919, and attained the Premiership in 1924. His culture is

payment. There is all the difference in the world, in many cases, between a man's ability to meet the anticipated commitments to the Society for a house costing, say, \$27,000, and the heavily enlarged outgoing if there has to be added a further \$16,000 to \$20,000 for the site. The interest that has been evoked by the Braga Plan, denoted by the figures, should therefore be sufficient to arouse a corresponding determination by Government not to let the chance slip for want of generosity and foresight. A solid citizenry derives from deep roots and none is more firmly planted than the man who owns the house in which he lives. For the transient, for model workers' tenements, for quicker results, the Kadoorie scheme warrants careful study. For the potential home-builder, the Government should be prepared to subsidise any project which is shown to be practical.

deep and wide, and his sympathies ardent to the point of emotionalism. It has been said of him that he has "the soul of Don Quixote in the body of Sancho Panza."

He has lately said that he was happiest as a teacher of Greek and rhetoric in the Lycées of Nantes and Lyons before he began his brilliant administrative and political career, for youth, he loved his contacts with youth. He has remained a most popular lecturer. Of his books his historical study, "Madame Bernier and her Friends," is perhaps the best, and combines fine scholarship with typically French grace and lucidity.

The Lawrences

The death of Lord Lawrence, grandson of John Lawrence, Viceroy of India, and great-nephew of Sir Henry Lawrence, stirs a myriad thoughts of those times—a century ago—when heroic deeds and noble characters shone amid much that was sordid in the last days of John Company's India. In 1847, Henry Lawrence was Resident at Lahore, chief instrument of a final attempt to sustain a Sikh state in the Punjab under British protection. Six years later, John Lawrence was chosen by Lord Dalhousie over the head, in a sense, of his brother—as first Chief Commissioner of the Punjab, annexed to the British power.

Even today men who know and love India debate the characters of the Lawrence brothers, and argue whether events need have taken their disastrous course in 1857 if Dalhousie's favour had fallen upon Henry instead of John. The character of Dalhousie, however, made his choice certain; for John Lawrence, like Dalhousie himself, was essentially the administrator. The contrast of the administrative and the humane standards, so sharply exemplified in the Lawrence brothers, has constantly repeated itself in Britain's dealings with India, not least in these last recent years of the British raj.

James Agate

I can recall no memorial service more deeply moving than that for James Agate at St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Such occasions are often marred by painfully jarring notes, the result of misunderstanding. At St. Martin's, though, some who took leading parts in the service were in unaccustomed roles—or perhaps because of that—there was a perfect harmony.

Franklin Dyllal and Leslie Banks, who read the lessons, Mark Hambourg, who played two Chopin Preludes, Olive Groves, who sang "I know that my Redeemer liveth" (which Agate loved); and the Rev. C. B. Mortlock, who gave the address—they were all his friends. In its simplicity and beauty it was truly a beautiful service. I was thrilled by Franklin Dyllal's reading of part of the noble 15th chapter of 1 Corinthians.

In the great congregation of his friends and admirers were Agate's fellow critics, actors and actresses whose careers he had faithfully recorded, and many others who for nearly a quarter of a century had been stimulated and entertained by his brilliant articles in The Sunday Times.

The Squirearchy

For some of his hearers there was poignant interest in a sentence of Lord Bledisloe's speech on the Agriculture Bill in the House of Lords. The measure, he said, would mark the virtual extinction—except as a factor in food production—of the class of country squires, "to which I and my forefathers have for generations belonged." There was certainly no better representative of the squirearchy than Charles Bathurst, as Lord Bledisloe was known till he joined the peerage in 1918.

No member of his class has served the public more diligently; certainly no one else has held so many offices in local and national organisations which exist to foster the interests of those who cultivate the soil of England. Yet he has found time throughout a long life to serve other good causes, to sit in both Houses of Parliament, to hold important Government appointments, and to be a popular Governor-General of New Zealand.

Though high taxation has hit

them hard, and administrative changes are transferring some of their old functions to others, there are still acres in all parts of rural England who worthily maintain the ancient and honourable traditions of their order.

Thakin Nu

U Aung San, virtually Prime Minister of Burma, and dominant figure in the Constituent Assembly now meeting, has long held the imagination of the Burmese people. They regard him as a cross between Bonnie Prince Charlie and Lord Montgomery. The simple peasant gives to Aung San the full credit for the Allied victory over the Japanese in Burma.

Of Thakin Nu, however, the newly elected President of the Constituent Assembly (who is now in London) the world knows little. For some time past he has been the second most powerful figure in Burma. Some say he has even more power than Aung San, and this, whilst not as yet true, might be so if Aung San tried to carry out projects which had not the full support of his party followers.

Thakin Nu is the conscience of the Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League, and Aung San takes no important decision without his advice. He is the party "boss" and controls the civil and military party machine. He is three or four years older than Aung San, and has some

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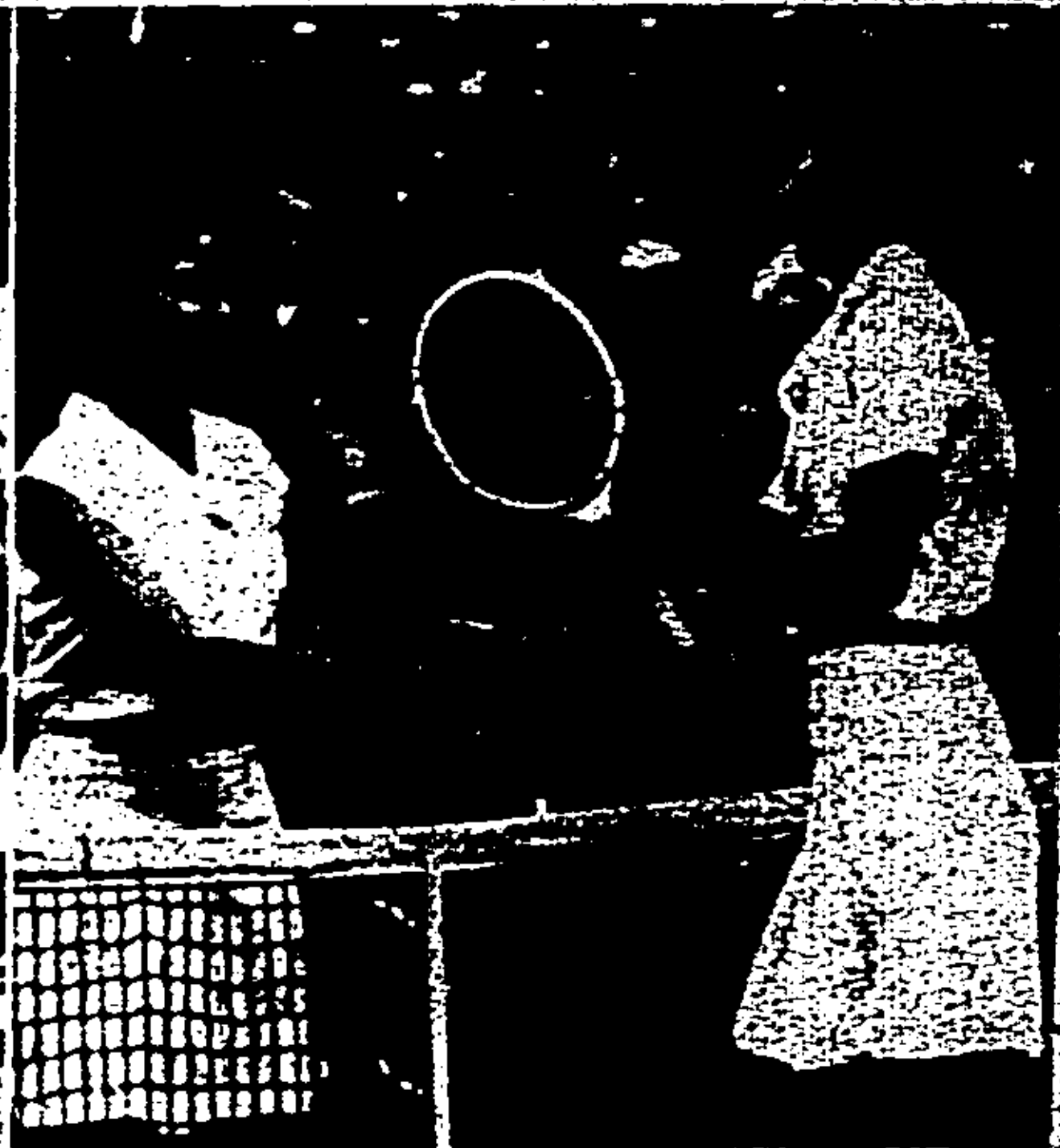
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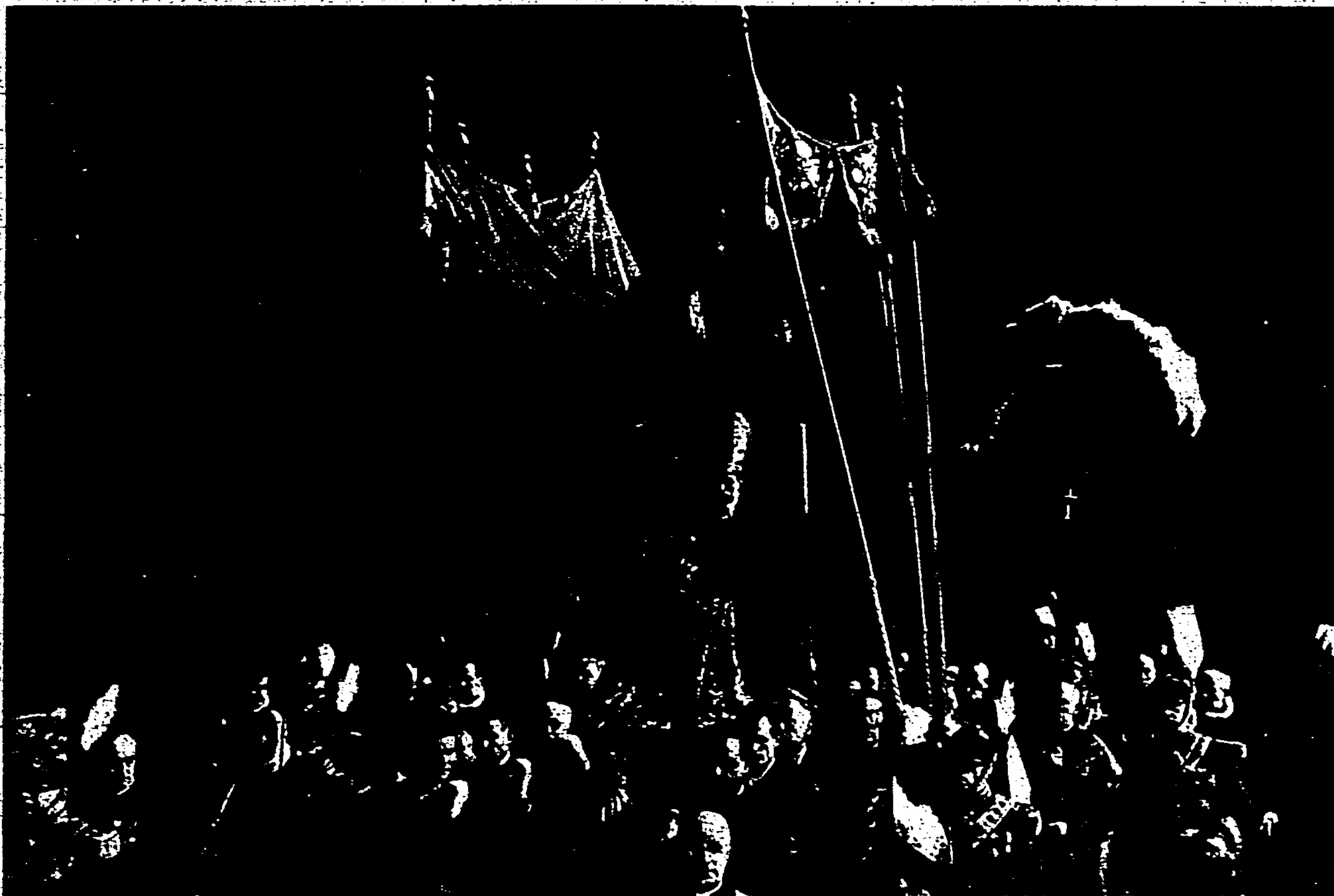
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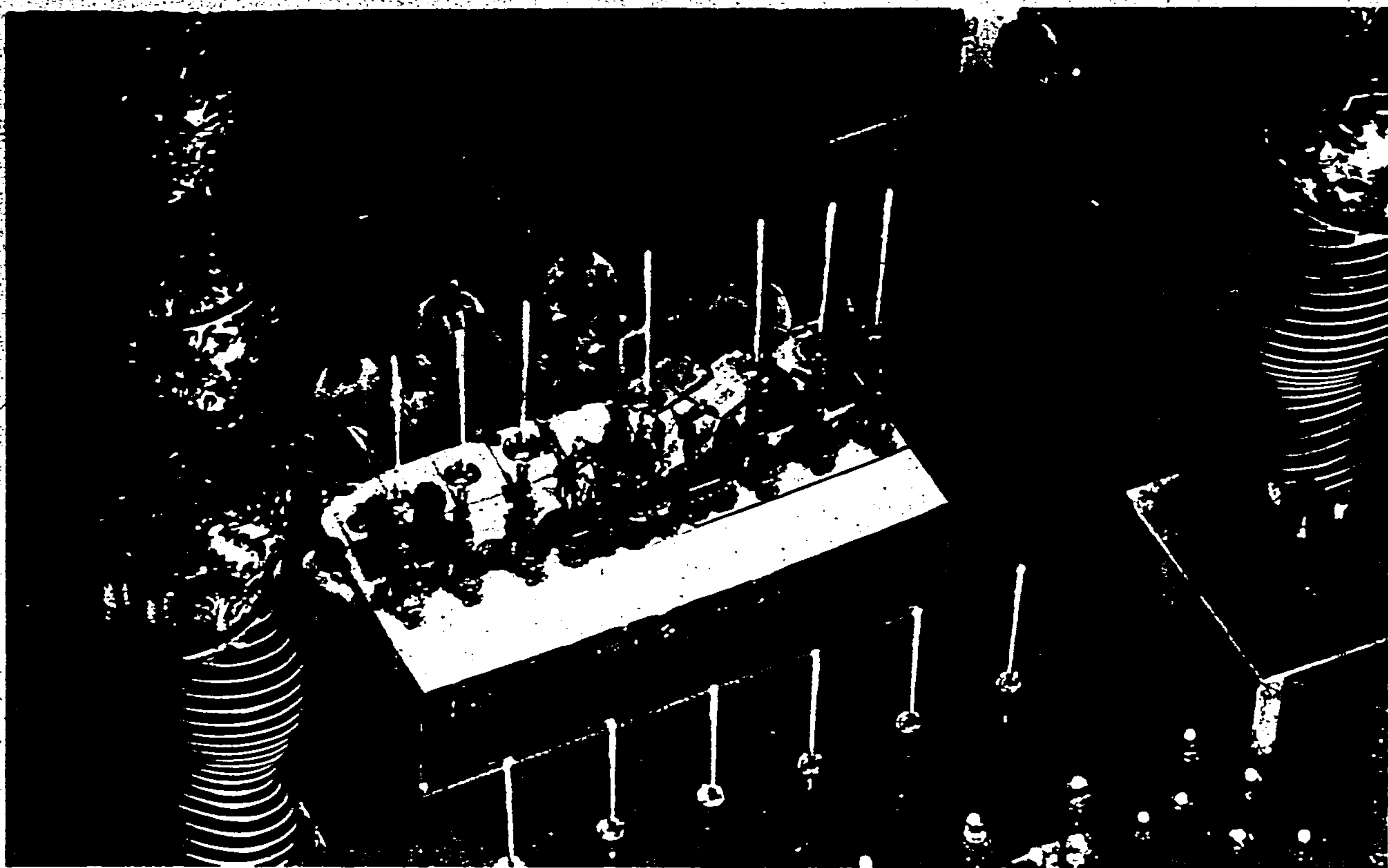
JACK KRAMER, HOLDING HIS TROPHY, SHAKES HANDS WITH PRINCESS MARGARET ROSE AFTER WINNING THE MEN'S SINGLES AT WIMBLEDON IN A STRAIGHT SETS FINAL. THE KING IS SEEN IN THE CENTRE AND THE QUEEN IS PARTLY CONCEALED BY THE PRINCESS. (APhoto)



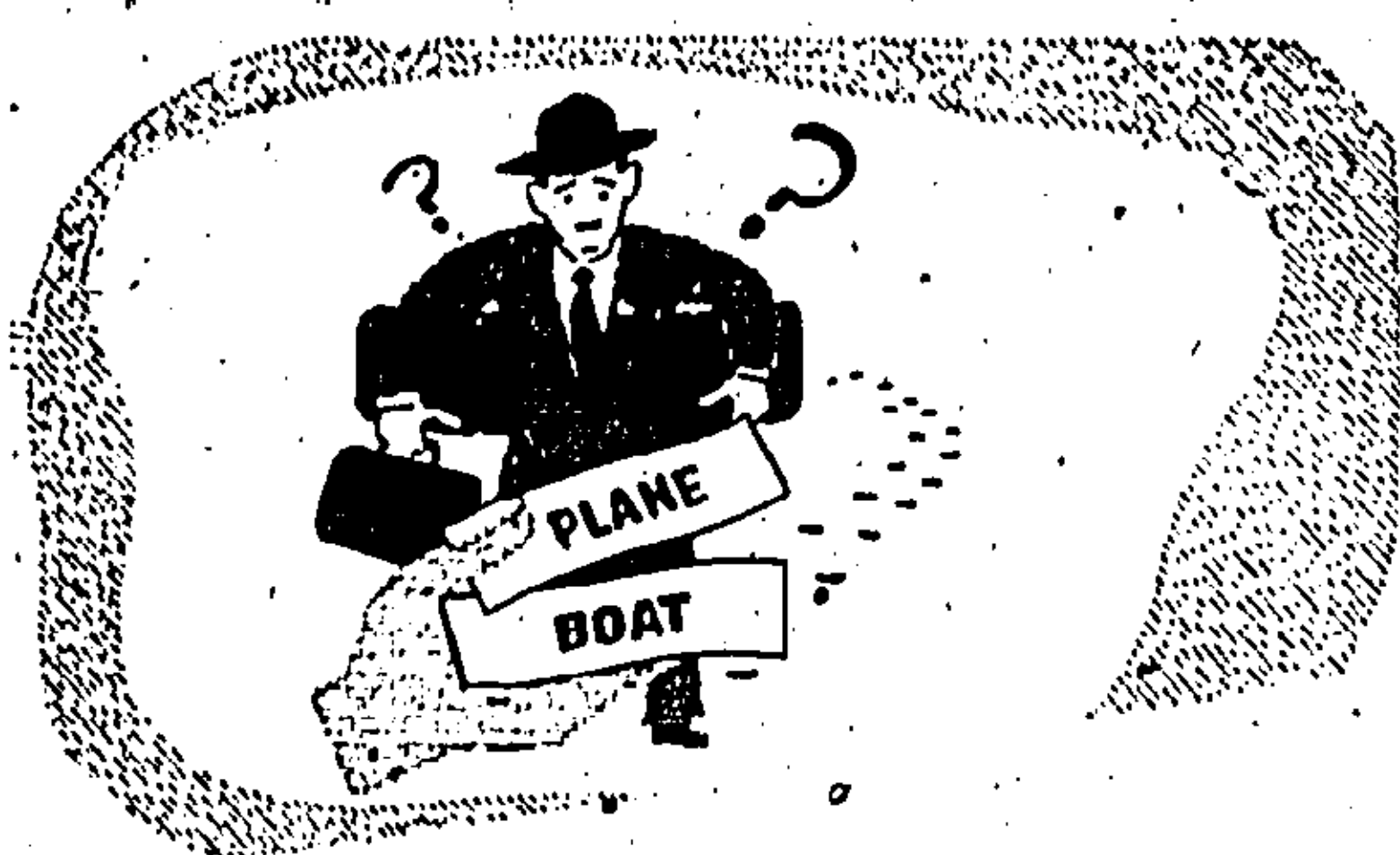
MARGARET OSBORNE (LEFT) BEING CONGRATULATED BY HER OPPONENT, DORIS HART, AFTER WINNING THE WOMEN'S SINGLES ON JULY 5. (APhoto)



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Brighter Day For British Peoples

Meeting In Canberra

Sydney, July 19.
A brighter day might dawn sooner than expected for the British people, following the Empire Conference in Canberra in August.

Representatives of Australia, New Zealand, Canada, South Africa and Britain will discuss a wide variety of British problems at Ministerial level—the first such meeting since Britain began the current economic battle.

The agenda has been broadened from the original basis of considering the British terms for submission to the Allied conference to fix peace terms for Japan. This fact has prompted South Africa, which is not primarily interested in Japan, to send a Ministerial representative.

It is highly probable, I understand, that some delegates will raise the question of Dominion

collaboration in a single effective scheme to help Britain over the present rough patch despite the fact that at present it is subject to constant review by Dominion Prime Ministers keeping directly in touch with Downing Street.

Menzies Scheme

One Canberra authority told me: "Many matters of common interest will be discussed in August" by the Dominion Ministers and it will be surprising if Britain's situation is not one of them.

Wide interest has been aroused by the scheme advanced by the Liberal Leader, Mr. Menzies, that the Dominions together send Britain 400,000,000-worth of food and raw materials as an interest-free loan repayable in 50 years. Newspaper reaction is favourable, expressing the view that Australia's economic well-being depends on Britain's.

Mr. Menzies declared, "We have been thinking of the British problem in terms far too small."

New Drives

The Queensland Agent-General, Mr. H. L. Rike, speaking Brisbane, demanded greater aid for Britain, declaring:

"Many people in Britain are slowly dying because of undernourishment and lack of resistance."

New drives for raising funds for Britain have been launched in every State—Our Own Correspondent.

Princess Wants Her Jewels

Frankfurt, July 19.

An eminent New York lawyer, Mr. Joseph S. Robinson, has been given full powers of attorney by the Dowager Princess Margaret of Hesse to recover from the U.S. Government the crown jewels and family heirlooms of the Grand Ducal House of Hesse.

They were stolen from Kronberg Castle in 1945.

The jewels, valued at 400,000, were brought back from the United States in June, 1946, with an armed guard and exhibited in the court martial against Colonel Jack Durant, Major David Watson, and Captain Kathleen Nash Durant for theft and embezzlement. They were sentenced to varying terms of imprisonment.

After the trial the jewellery was returned to Washington in custody, for reasons that have not yet been stated.

Lawyer Robinson intends to invoke articles of the Hague Convention in support of his plea for restitution of the jewels to the family. The most valuable pieces were partly broken down in attempts to sell them in Belfast and the United States. They include bequests from Queen Victoria to her daughter Empress Frederick. —Our Own Correspondent.

VAUXHALL TO SLOW UP?

London, July 19.

It is reported that Vauxhall Motors may have to slow production because of a shortage of steel.

Vauxhall is an affiliate of General Motors Corporation of the United States. —Associated Press.

CARRIERS FOR AUSTRALIA

Sydney, July 9.

Australia has ordered two aircraft carriers of the Glorious-Theseus class from Britain to form the nucleus of the R.A. postwar fleet. Delivery is expected in 18 months. The Royal Navy is supplying high rating officers to sail them to Australia. —Our Own Correspondent.

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H. R. H. Princess Elizabeth chatted with Colour Sergeant Weston, when she inspected the First Battalion of the Grenadier Guards at Chelsea Barracks, London, on July 8. Associated Press Photo.

TGWU CONDEMNS STRIKES

Hastings, July 18.

The Transport and General Workers Union, largest union group in the world, today passed a resolution condemning unofficial strikes.

The General Secretary, Arthur Deakin, reporting to the press on the TGWU closed session at which the resolution was approved, said the conference believed "every member has a constitutional obligation to observe the rules of the union and emphasize that the only body who can sanction strike action is the General Executive Council of the Union." —United Press.

Bull Fight Broadcast Matter Of Taste

London, July 19.

Mr. Justice Jenkins refused today to grant an injunction forbidding the B.B.C. to broadcast a description of a bull-fight.

The Performing Animals Defence League sought the injunction contending that the programme, already broadcast once by the BBC and now to be repeated on Saturday, was an "attempt to familiarise the British public with a foreign form of cruelty."

Dismissing the application with costs against the League, the judge said that such a broadcast was "a matter of taste."

"Some people would find it interesting and others would not like it," he added "but can any one member of the public or any society impose its ideas on the British Broadcasting Corporation or anyone else?" —Associated Press.

Making Better Plutonium

New York, July 19.

Elaborate steps for the improvement of manufacture of plutonium, one of the major bomb metals are planned at the great atomic plant near Richland, Washington.

Plutonium, a hard, heavy metal made by transmuting uranium, is the main substance in present atom bombs.

The United States spent something like \$500,000,000 to produce atom bombs, the plutonium costing about \$175,000,000. Scientific publications say that other nations can produce this valuable metal more cheaply than any other bomb material.

Richland is a residential area bordering the Columbia River, and is a region of grey sand, sagebrush, and dried up water courses. —Our Own Correspondent.

Alpine Tragedy

Zurich, July 19.

A mountaineering tragedy in the Central Swiss Alps has cost four lives.

Two young Swiss couples, scaling a dangerous 11,000-foot peak, were surprised by a sudden storm.

The first man died from exhaustion, while his terror-stricken wife succumbed to heart failure. The remaining two tried to return to a hut, but owing to a false step the man crashed over a precipice.

The surviving woman, heartbroken, returned to her home in Zurich where she committed suicide, leaving two babies. —Our Own Correspondent.

PADRE HANNON DEAD

Vatican City, July 19.

The Assistant to the Padre-General of the Jesuit Company of Christ for England, Ireland, Belgium, Canada and Australia, Padre James Hannon, died in the Vatican City early yesterday.

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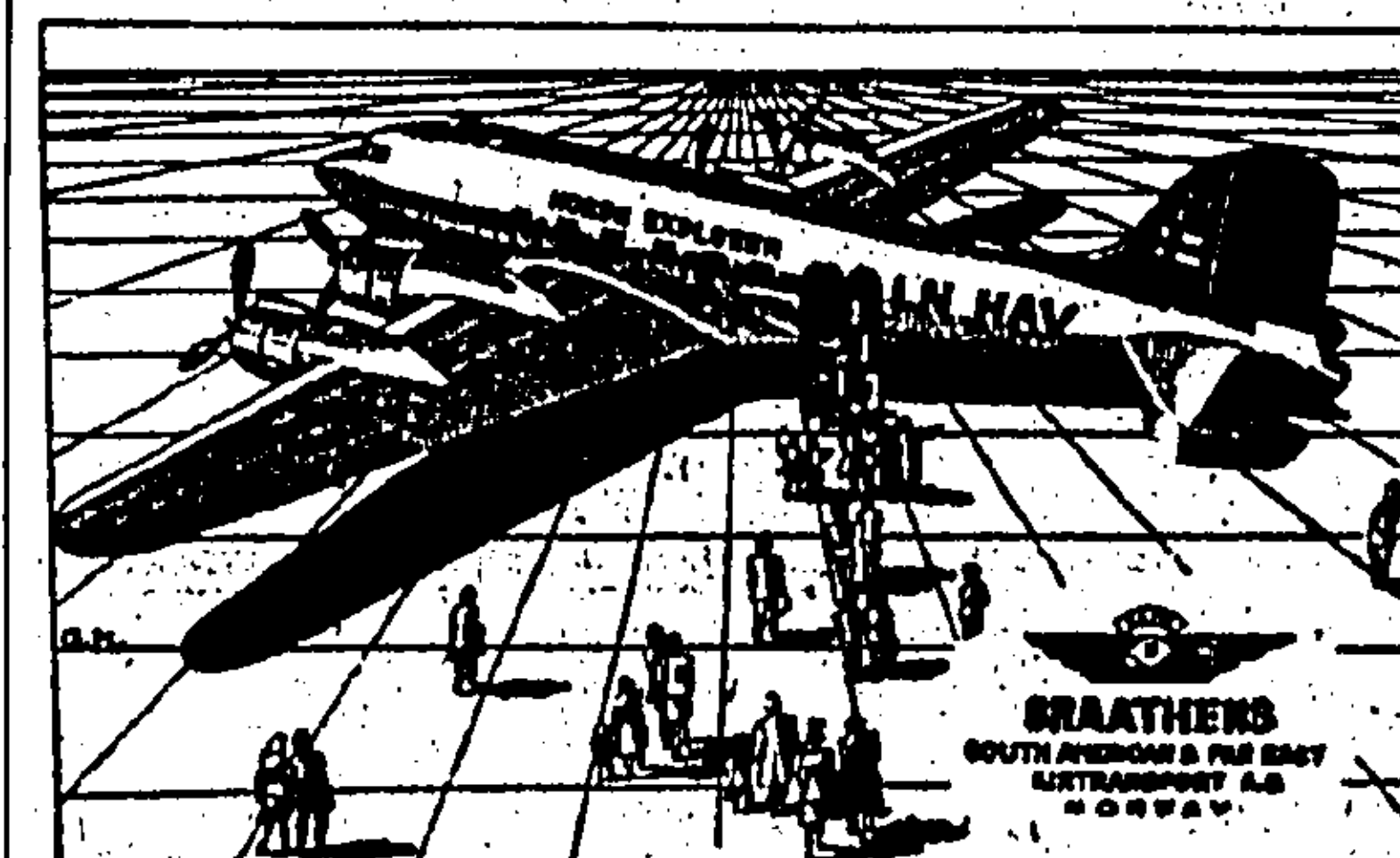
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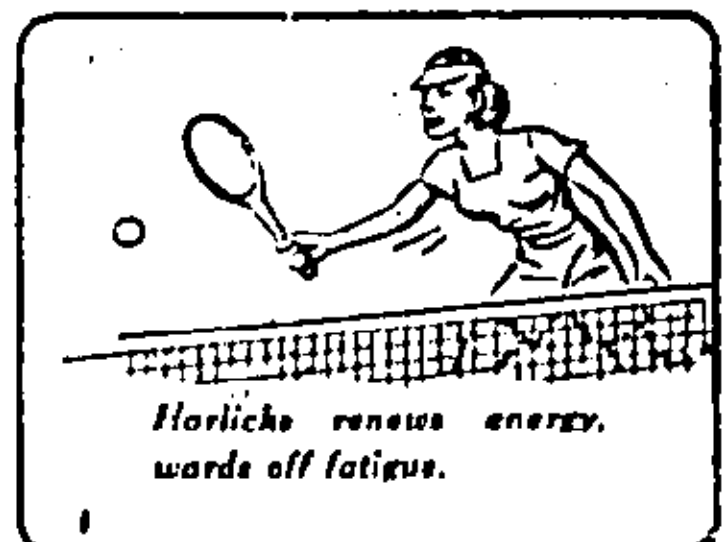
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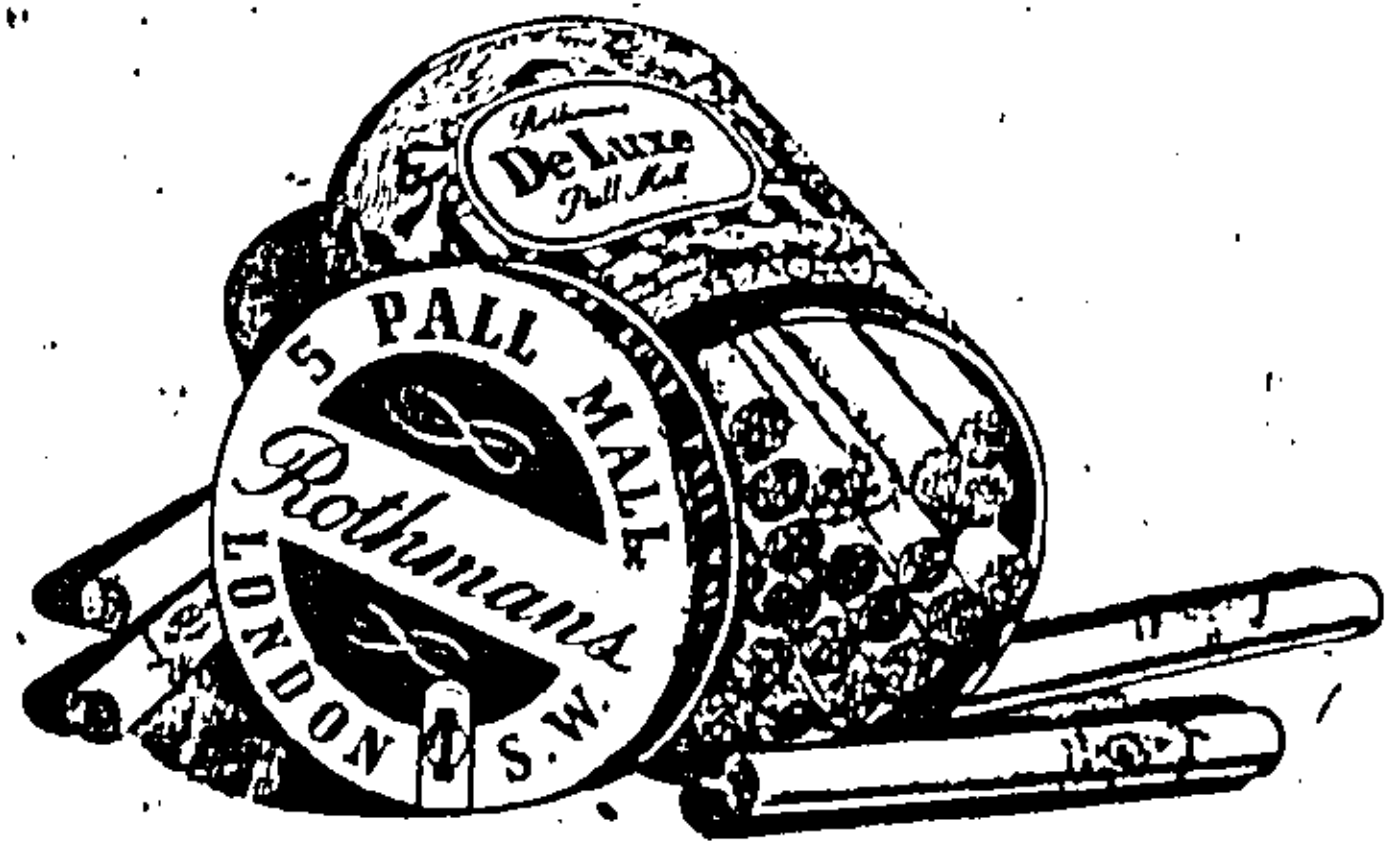


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MYSTERY FRENCH ARMS DUMPS Surete In Touch With Scotland Yard Anonymous Letter Tip

Paris, July 19.
Paris police are in telephone touch with Britain's Scotland Yard after rounding up nine Poles and a Hungarian and discovering a second arms dump in Paris in 24 hours.

More arrests are believed imminent and despite a police blackout persistent reports affirmed that the dumps belong to Jewish Irgun terrorists.

Police were led to the second dump in an electro-therapy clinic in the smart Trocadero district by one of the arrested suspects.

Four women are among the 10 people now rounded up who include Moise Zizac, Polish-born paper manufacturer, in whose suburban villa police found the first stock of explosives, grenades and machine guns. The names of others held are given as: Bernadette Viethal, Alexander Isman, Hungarian mechanic, Rene Meyniel, garage hand, Rubin Kobzowski, Gerzi Moszkowicz, Stanislaus Majzner, Karriane

Ropoport, Iva Berim and Sophia Tchernobolski, all Polish.

Letter Tip

An anonymous letter led to the raid on Zizac's villa, and later Isman, under interrogation, told the police that he had taken the arms there in a hired lorry at the request of unknown persons. He had been handed the cases through the ventilator of a house in the centre of Paris, he said. Police combed the district and discovered the second dump.

It is disclosed that among the arms found were several long distance sights from field guns.

—Our Own Correspondent.

Bordeaux Dump

Paris, July 18.
A secret arms dump, containing two tons of munitions, automatic rifles, grenades, torpedoes, machine-gun ammunition and a radio transmitter, was discovered in a house at Perigueux, near Bordeaux, security police announced here tonight.—Reuter.

Civil War Drawing To Close

Rio de Janeiro, July 18.
The four-month-old Paraguayan civil war is "rapidly drawing to a close", the Paraguayan Government said in a communique today announcing the capture of the rebel leader, General Rafael Franco, and his staff.

The communique, in a Brazilian news agency despatch from Asuncion, capital of Paraguay, also reported the capture of Concepcion, the insurgent headquarters 150 miles north of Asuncion.

The revolt began last March 7, when Communists and Febreristas - followers of General Franco, a former Paraguayan President - attempted to overthrow President Higinio Morinigo's Government. At one time, the rebel forces held 10,000 square miles of the country - about one-eighth of Paraguay.—Reuter.

"GOERING" WAS INSULT

Paris, July 18.
The Court of the 16th Correctional Chamber today fined Madame Sylvia Bolaert 1,000 francs for using as an epithet the word "Goering" to a fat man with whom she had an argument after an automobile accident.—United Press.

TRIED TO BEHEAD RATING

Jerusalem, July 19.
Jewish illegal immigrants on the small ship "President Garfield," boarded by the Royal Navy yesterday, tried to behead a British rating with an axe, following which steel-helmeted ratings opened small arms fire.

At least three British ratings were injured when the boarding party, armed with clubs, fought their way to the wheelhouse through a barrage of tear-gas, smoke bombs, fireworks and jets of steam.—Reuter.

Foreign Marriages Bill

London, July 18.
The House of Commons amendments to the Foreign Marriage Bill were agreed to in the House of Lords today, and the Marriages (Provisional Orders) Bill passed through committee.

Lord Llewellyn asked if anything was being done to tighten up so that the House would not have to pass these bills validating marriages which through the absence of a registrar, or something like that, were thought to be invalid.

Lord Walkden replied that everything had been done to

In Sight Of Shooting War?

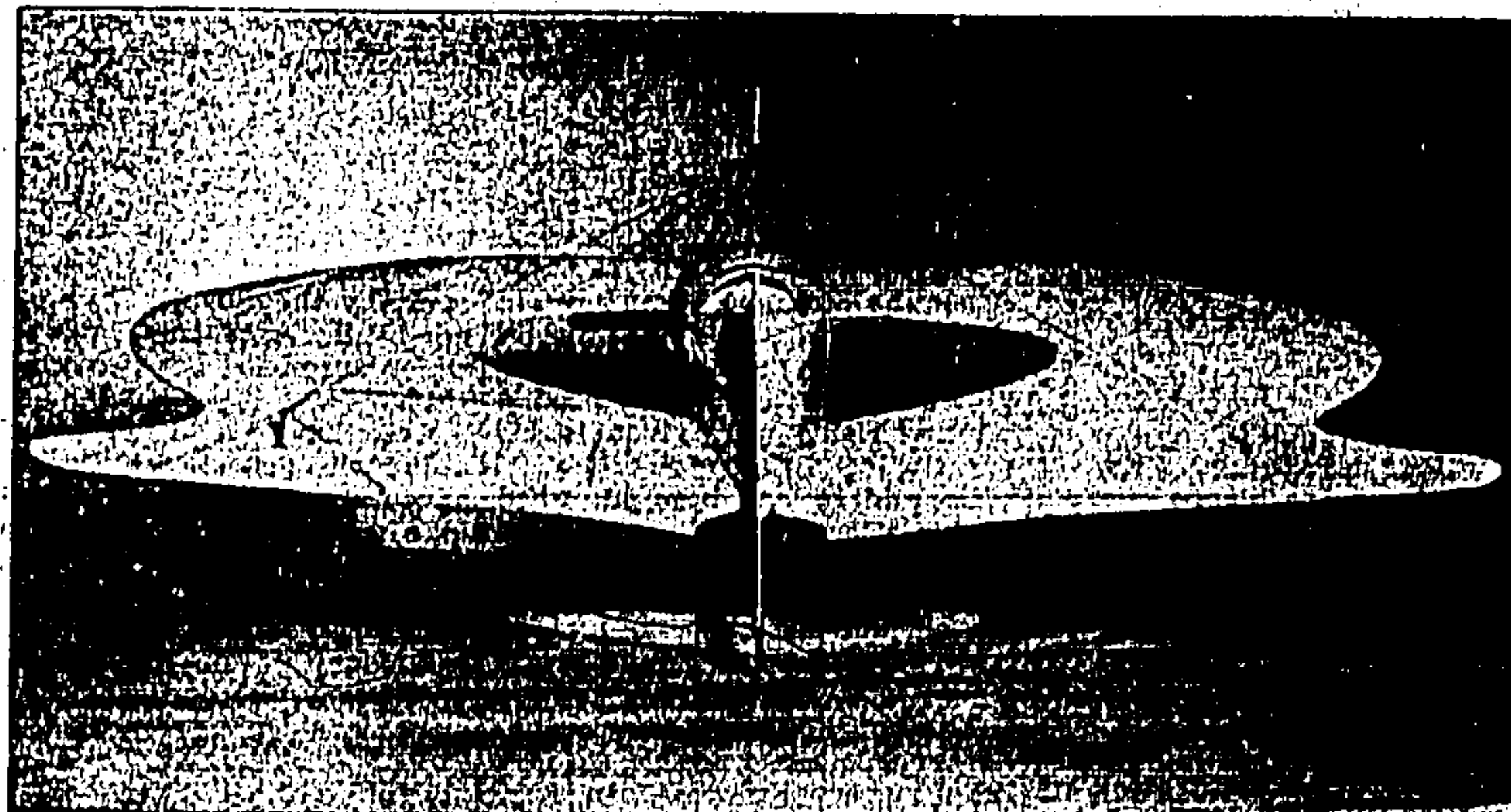
Washington, July 18.
The United States is within sight of a shooting war this minute in Greece, asserted Mr. Charles A. Eaton, the Republican Chairman of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee, today.

A veteran foreign affairs expert, known for his internationalist views and sympathy with the United States Government's foreign policy, Mr. Eaton was testifying before the House Rules Committee on a resolution which would permit members of his committee to travel abroad this summer to investigate the situation in Europe in the light of the Marshall plan.

Accusing Russia of having "taken off its mask" in boycotting the Paris economic conference, Mr. Eaton declared: "Either America will stand and hold the fort in Greece or Russia will take over. If Russia takes over Greece, the destiny of mankind is at stake."—Reuter.

minimise the risk of these things happening. The matter was being well looked after by the Home Office and ecclesiastical authorities.—Reuter.

The Original "Flying Saucer"



Britain's own "flying saucer," which cost £17,000 to build and has flown 11,000 miles in tests at Shoreham-by-Sea, Sussex. The designer of this "annular monoplane," does not know if the "flying saucer" scares in various parts of the world mean that someone has been experimenting with his design but he claims that if the machine above is equipped with the latest jet power unit, it should reach supersonic speeds of 1,100 miles an hour. The plane was originally named "The Flying Doughnut."—Associated Press Photo.

YARD SEARCHING FOR ONE-LEGGED COUNT

Paris, July 18.
Scotland Yard is believed to have been asked by the French Surete to check several smart London and Provincial addresses for trace of one-legged Count Herouet de Mervels, wanted for alleged complicity in the so-called "Black Maquis" rightist plot against the French Government.

Surete - men searching the Count's rooms at Chartres have discovered his pocket diary, containing a list of names and addresses in Britain. They think the Count, warned of the coming police round-up, might have escaped to Britain and be staying with innocent British friends.

If he is found in Britain the French Government will ask for his extradition.

A mystery-man, one-time garage hand in Buenos Aires, he worked for a British intelligence unit in France during the war. Under the name of Major Arm he led the raid which blew up the German radio "Voice of the Reich."

Ex-S.S. Men

The French authorities are said to be preparing to issue a large number of arrest warrants. Most of the people implicated are in flight. Eleven

people, including two generals, are now in Paris prisons in connection with the conspiracy. General Koenig, Commander-in-Chief of French occupation troops is stated to have told the French Minister of the Interior that according to reports he received from the German police, the plotters had recruited ex-S.S. men in Germany to join the rising.—Our Own Correspondent.

WAR SECRETARY RESIGNS

Washington, July 18.
Mr. Robert P. Patterson, Secretary of State for War, resigned today because, he said, the imminent merger of the United States armed forces made him consider his work completed. His successor is Brigadier General Kenneth C. Royall, Under-Secretary for War since October, 1945.—Gazette.



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S.S. "TUBADAK" Japan, Shanghai & Amoy, 23rd July
S.S. "TUBADAK" Singapore, Java ports & Amoy, 10th August

Agents: K.P.M. LINE (ORIENT JAVA AFRICA LINE).

Ship due from Loading for
S.S. "STRAAT SOENDA" South America Mauritius, Lourenco, South Africa, East London, Port Elizabeth, Mosselbay, 23rd July
S.S. "STRAAT SOENDA" Cape Town, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, Santos, Rio de Janeiro, 29th July
Transshipment cargo on through Bill of Lading accepted for Dar-es-Salaam, Mombasa, Zanzibar.

S.S. "BOISSEvain" In reconversion loading for South Africa South America August

Suitable cargo tanks for bulk oil

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S.S. "VAN HEUSE" In Port Swatow & Amoy, 20th July

Agents: SILVER LINE LTD.

Ship due from Sailing for
S.S. "SILVER SANDAL" Persian Gulf ports U.S. Atlantic ports & Karachi, via Straits and Suez, middle of 26th July
S.S. "HENDONHALL" U.S. Atlantic ports U.S. Atlantic ports, via Manila & Shanghai, on or about 31st August.

Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE

Ship due from Loading for
S.S. "SIMON STEVIN" Shanghai 25th July
S.S. "SIMON STEVIN" Manila/Singapore/Colombo/Suez/Port Said/Genoa/Marseilles/Antwerp/Rotterdam/Amsterdam/Hamburg/Copenhagen/Göteborg/Oslo, 25th July.

Suitable cargo tanks for bulk oil

S.S. "ERASMUS" Loading for
S.S. "ERASMUS" Europe 8th July
S.S. "ERASMUS" Manila/Singapore/Colombo/Suez/Port Said/Genoa/Marseilles/Antwerp/Rotterdam/Amsterdam/Hamburg/Copenhagen/Göteborg/Oslo, end August.

S.S. "HUGO de VRIES" Loading for
S.S. "HUGO de VRIES" Europe late August
S.S. "HUGO de VRIES" Manila/Singapore/Colombo/Suez/Port Said/Genoa/Marseilles/Antwerp/Rotterdam/Amsterdam/Hamburg/Copenhagen/Göteborg/Oslo, end September.

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ARRIVALS

SHIP	FROM	DUE
"TREVAYLOR"	U.K. & Straits	Discharge Early August
"DAN-Y-BRYN"	Bombay & Karachi	15th August
"SCYTHIA"	U.K. & Straits	8th August
"STRATHNAVER"	U.K. & Straits	15th August
"TREVORLAN"	U.K. & Straits	15th August
"TRESILLIAN"	U.K. & Straits	August
"TREWIDEN"	U.K. & Straits	September

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	READY
"TREVAYLOR"	Shanghai & Kobe	21st July
"SCYTHIA"	Straits & U.K.	12th August
"TREVAYLOR"	Straits, Genoa & U.K.	Mid Aug.
"STRATHNAVER"	Straits & U.K.	2nd Sept.

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Eastern & Australian S.S. Co., Ltd.

ARRIVALS

SHIP	FROM	DUE
"EMPIRE ATHELSTAN"	Melbourne & Sydney	Early August
"NANKIN"	Australia & New Zealand	Mid August

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THE PLANNING BOARD Functions And Membership Announced Government And Industry

London, July 19.
Details of the functions and membership of the Government's Economic Planning Board were given to the House of Commons this afternoon by Mr. Morrison, Lord President of the Council.
He said that the Board, which would be under the chairmanship of Sir Edwin Plowden, Chief Planning Officer, and on occasions himself, would make possible very close cooperation and consultation between Government and industry. On matters outside the experience of the industrial members of the Board the interested organisations concerned could be consulted.

The Board was already constituted, and, so far as he was concerned, the sooner it started the better.
Mr. Morrison said: "The primary task of this body will be to advise His Majesty's Government on the best use of our economic resources, both for the realisation of a long-term plan and for remedial measures against our immediate difficulties."
The Board would be constituted as follows:

The Members

Sir Edwin Plowden, 40, appointed Chief Planning Officer in March, chairman.
Sir William Henry Coates, 65, a deputy chairman, Imperial Chemical Industries (nominated by Federation of British Industries and British Employers Confederation).
Sir Graham Cunningham, 55, chairman of Triplex Safety Glass Company, war-time Controller General of Munitions Production (nominated by F.B.I. and B.E.C.).
Mr. Andrew Nesmith, general secretary, Amalgamated Weavers' Association (nominated by T.U.C.).
Mr. W. R. Verdon Smith, 34, a director of Bristol Aeroplane Co. (nominated by F.B.I. and B.E.C.).
Mr. J. Tanner, President Amalgamated Engineering Union (nominated by T.U.C.).
Mr. H. V. Tewson, 50, general secretary, T.U.C.
Sir John Woods, 52, Permanent Secretary, Board of Trade.
Sir Godfrey Ince, 56, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Labour; war-time Director-General of Munpower.
Sir Archibald Rowlands, 55, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Supply.
Mr. A. S. Le Maitre (Central Economic Planning staff).
Mr. H. T. Weeks, former head of planning, Ministry of Aircraft Production.
Mr. F. W. Smith, 51, former director of building materials, Ministry of Works.
Mr. R. L. Hall, 46, former Director Economic Section, Cabinet Office.

Close Cooperation

Mr. Morrison added: "The industrial members of the Board, representing as they do both employers and workers, bring to the problems of planning wide practical experience and knowledge, while the permanent secretaries represent the three departments chiefly responsible for dealing with problems of trade and industry."
"Very close co-operation and consultation between Government and industry will, therefore, be possible. These arrangements are, of course, in addition to, and not instead of, the arrangements for close consultation already maintained between industry and individual departments."
"There may, however, be matters lying outside the field of experience of the industrial members on which other interested organisations will have a contribution to make, and it may be appropriate at a later date to hold conference on particular economic questions with the organisations best able to advise and assist us in such cases."

Risk of Additions
Sir Patrick Hannon (Cons.) (nominated by F.B.I. and B.E.C.) was satisfied that the committee included adequate representation of the smaller manufacturers.
Mr. Morrison: That was very carefully considered. We are very anxious, as I think the House will agree is wise, to keep the Board to a reasonably small size, and it was felt rather difficult to go outside the F.B.I. and B.E.C. to represent the main stream of economic interest on the employers' side.
I appreciate the hon. member's point, but the trouble is if we got there we should have to go further. For instance there is a representation of agriculture as such and I do not know where we would have stopped.
We will seek, on appropriate occasions, to consult agriculture specifically, and I hope from time to time it will be possible for my representatives to meet the National Union of Manufacturers and other bodies specifically concerned.

Board's Task
Mr. Kenneth Lindsay (Ind., English Universities) asked if the body would also deal with the recruitment and training of manpower on the higher levels.
Mr. Morrison said he thought not. That could best be dealt with by the appropriate department.

In reply to further questions he said it was not proposed that the Board should report direct to Parliament. The Board's task was to advise the Government. It was the Government which must be finally responsible. As to remuneration, whether the question of expenses would arise he did not know, but there was no question of salaries.

Mr. J. H. Hudson (Soc., Ealing West) asked if the co-operative movement would be given representation.
Mr. Morrison said he did not think they could be brought into the general set-up of the Board without getting very far.

Hungarian Approach To Britain
Budapest, July 18.
The Hungarian Cabinet today authorised the despatch of a delegation to London to negotiate a financial agreement with Britain. The delegation is expected to continue the trade talks which opened in Budapest two months ago.

The Hungarian Trade Economic Council has decided on a plan for the "rationalisation" of production of the Hungarian-American Oil Company, a branch of the Standard Oil concern.
Under this plan the company will produce 540,000 tons of crude oil annually, and the council will insist on a reduction of prices.
American circles here feel that the so-called rationalisation may be merely a first step towards nationalisation.—Reuter.

IT'S GETTING LESS

Washington, July 18.
Britain has withdrawn another \$150,000,000 from her American loan.
The United States recorded a withdrawal of \$100,000,000 only two days ago.
A total of \$400,000,000 has now been withdrawn this month and \$2,450,000,000 since the loan was granted.—Reuter.

Firm Trend On Wall Street

New York, July 18.
Yesterday's setback was extended at the outset but then prices stiffened somewhat though traders continued to take advantage of the recent improvement to lighten commitments.
Prices retreated in the early afternoon with technical factors the motivating force for a modest liquidation. Then a covering movement from an extended week-end developed and resulted in a firmer trend.

Activity was extended on recovery with packings, oils, motors and rails in the lead. Meanwhile, regardless of the near term direction of prices, some traders were increasing activity with emphasis on quality issues which led the May and June advance to more speculative sections of the list.
There were well distributed gains of fractions to one point in final dealings, with oils favoured, aided by prospects of further price increases.

For the first time in a fortnight, the volume failed to attain a million shares.
The market closed steady.—Reuter.

Jap. Bonds On London Market

London, July 18.
Expansion of interest in the oil share market, where most of the leaders recorded substantial gains, particularly Anglo-Iranians, provided the feature of the day.
Profit-taking was well absorbed and quotations left off at practically the best levels of the day. Elsewhere, little active interest developed, although more attention was directed to South African gold-mining issues, which in turn helped copper.

British Government stocks suffered from another small selling wave, which turned unsettled first class industrial issues, a final rally in British funds coming rather late in the day to be reflected in the industrial section.
Commodity shares were irregular. Teas sagged, and rubbers were less buoyant than of late.
The only interest in the foreign bond section was in Japanese, which finally showed small gains and foreign railways followed a much steadier course.—Reuter.

BOMBAY SILVER & GOLD

Bombay, July 18.
Silver, Ready, per 100 tolas 170 Rupees, 08 Annas; New Settlement (Unofficial) 170, 02; Forward, per 100 tolas 170, 08; Gold, Delivered, per tola 111, 09; Forward (June 20), 110, 12; Sovereign, Each unquoted.—Reuter.

FREE GOLD MARKET

New York, July 18.
The price of gold on the free market was quoted at \$45 per ounce and was reported to be firmly bid.—Reuter.

ZURICH FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Zurich, July 18.
Zurich On London 17.25, New York 4.30, Paris 3.62, Brussels 0.87, Amsterdam 162.30, Lisbon 15.30, Buenos Aires 104.00, Stockholm 119.02, Madrid 89.75.—Reuter.

ALEXANDRIA BULLION

Alexandria, July 18.
Gold, per "dirhem" 150 piastres, Egyptian pound 470, Sovereign 538, Turkish pound 860, Napoleon 360, Dollar (piece 1/2 cing) 470, Silver (piastre) per Kilogram 840.—Reuter.

ARGENTINE GOLD

Buenos Aires, July 18.
Sovereign 538, Dollar (piece 1/2 cing) 470, Silver (piastre) per Kilogram 840.—Reuter.

Ottawa, July 18.
The Finance Minister reiterated today the Canadian Government's stand against allowing Canadian funds to be used to finance the Soviet Union's war effort.—Reuter.

Dalton's Cheerful Story

London, July 19.
The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Hugh Dalton, said today that the Government has built up a revenue surplus of £234,000,000 since the start of its fiscal year last April 1.

"This has never happened before," he told the House of Commons in opening the debate on fiscal affairs. "I think it is a very happy state of things."
Mr. Dalton's statement covered only the government's internal revenues as compared with internal expenses and he gave no figures for either, reporting only the difference.

He did not discuss the deficit in Britain's foreign trade, saying only that it was "our great anxiety" and needed "further thought".—Associated Press.

Vicar Gets Advice

London, July 19.
John Eddy, Commissioner of the Divorce Court, yesterday recommended that the Rev. Edwin Robinson, Vicar of St. Martin's Church, read the 13th Chapter of the First Epistle to Corinthians for refusing to let his daughter sleep with her husband at the vicarage.

Eddy's recommended passage begins: "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels and have not charity I am become as sounding brass or tinkling cymbal."
Robinson said the Commissioner's recommendation was "unpertinent."
The Commissioner refused divorce to the daughter, Mrs. Joyce Rae.—United Press.

Cotton Speculation

Shanghai, July 19.
The Joint Economic Investigation Council today announced the opening of a campaign to stop widespread cotton speculation, hoarding and profiteering.
The Council appointed a cotton yarn section with full authority to supervise the cotton exchange market and forbid dealing cotton textiles by others than legitimately registered cotton merchants.
The present regulations provide that cotton mills importing cotton are obliged to use the entire amount, 50 percent of which must be sold to the government-operated China Cotton Textile Corporation as a condition of obtaining foreign exchange. Some concerns ignored the rule.—United Press.

Wedemeyer Drops Hint

Honolulu, July 18.
Lt.-Gen. Albert Wedemeyer, arriving here en route to Nanking, said that his six-man commission might study the possibility of extending General Marshall's foreign aid plan to Communist-dominated areas in China and Korea.
Gen. Wedemeyer declined a definite commitment on the proposal to help Communist areas, but indicated that such a plan was under consideration.

The party, on its way for a special study of China's relief needs, expects to continue its trip to Nanking aboard an Army Transport Command C-54 at 9 a.m. Saturday.
Gen. Wedemeyer will be the guest of Lt.-Gen. John E. Hall, commander of the Army Ground Forces of the Pacific, while in Honolulu.—United Press.

BAKSI-SAILS

Southampton, July 19.
Heavyweight Juggo Baksi and his manager, Nate Wolfson, sailed for New York today aboard the Inez America.
Baksi said he would be returning "some time" and would be prepared to fight "any man" with the Bruce Woodcock, whose jaw he broke in their match at Taffingham last April.—United Press.

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